

The Baptist Record

"THY KINGDOM COME"

OLD SERIES
VOLUME LIX.

BAPTIST ORPHANAGE

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May I take this opportunity of expressing my thanks and also the thanks of the board of trustees and faculty of the Baptist Orphanage as well as the large number of boys and girls committed to our care who are looking to you for support for your most liberal Thanksgiving contribution of supplies and money. While it is not possible for each one to receive a personal message, we want to thank the churches, Sunday schools, W. M. U.'s with all auxiliaries, B. T. U.'s as a group. Also the pastors, Sunday school superintendents, W. M. S. presidents, leaders of our young people's groups, and B. T. U. directors and presidents for their splendid cooperation in leading their groups in this most splendid and worthwhile movement. To everyone who had a part, we say from the depths of our soul, "Thank you and God bless you."

There are a large number who have not yet responded to our appeal. If your church or organization happens to be among this number please cooperate with us by seeing that the people are giving an opportunity to make a contribution. In some churches the report has not yet been made. If your church is among this group, please see that your offering is sent either direct to the Baptist Orphanage or to the Baptist State Convention Board and marked for the Baptist Orphanage so we will receive proper credit through this department.

You will be interested in knowing that we received more than 200,000 pounds of canned fruit and vegetables, clothing, groceries, syrup, etc., shipped by train on the Free Thanksgiving Cars. This service was made possible by the following railroads: Illinois Central, G. M. & N., Mississippi Central, Columbus and Greenville and Mobile and Ohio. As you have opportunity, please express your thanks to the agent of your local freight depot and ask that he pass the word on to the officials with the statement that this service is deeply appreciated by the 250,000 Baptists of the state of Mississippi.

We have not quite reached our goal for the \$10,000 cash offering, but many churches have not yet sent in their contribution. We are sure that this goal will be reached if all cooperate by making a special offering.

May we again say, "Thank you for all you have done for your own children of your own Baptist Orphanage and wish for you a merry Christmas and a happy New Year."

W. G. Mize, Superintendent.

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To the members of the Lambert Baptist Church: This paper, the Baptist Record, is coming to you with the compliments of the Baptist Church of Lambert. If you read it carefully you will receive both information and inspiration. Read every issue and encourage every member of your family to read it. May God bless you in our labors together for the Lord. Your pastor, Robert Wesley Porter.

A Christmas Gift

Send the Baptist Record to your loved ones and friends. It will be a joy to them throughout the coming year. An attractive Christmas card will be sent by us, notifying of your gift. Do not delay.

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MRS. P. I. LIPSEY SENT TO MEMPHIS

Wife of Baptist Record Editor Under Treatment In Hospital

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Countless friends in Mississippi and elsewhere of the Lipsey family will regret to learn of the critical illness of Mrs. P. I. Lipsey, Sr., of Clinton, who has been taken to the Baptist Hospital at Memphis for special treatment.

Members of the family, including her brother, Crawford Johnson of Birmingham; her sister, Mrs. W. B. Harris of Clinton; and her children, Mrs. X. O. Steel of Magee, Principal Crawford Lipsey of Brookhaven, Prof. P. I. Lipsey, Jr., of Stetson University, John Lipsey of Colorado Springs, and Dr. James Lipsey of Memphis, are all at the bedside.—Clarion Ledger.

Their countless friends over the state and South will now pray for Dr. and Mrs. Lipsey in these hours of anxiety as they have so often prayed for their friends.

AN APPEAL TO YOU!

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We have information from a number of sources that a strong, determined effort will be made to legalize the sale of hard liquor in the legislature, which meets in January. We are facing a crisis greater than in 1934 when the May-Roberts bill was proposed. We had a chance to vote then, but it seems to be the plan to force a bill through without giving the people a voice in the matter.

We ask that you:

1. See your legislators before they come to Jackson and let them know that you are expecting them to vote to repeal the beer and wine act, and to vote against any hard liquor bill proposed.

2. Send at once a contribution! If you are a pastor, take a free-will offering and send at once. Much must be done immediately.

Yours to win,

N. S. Jackson, Superintendent,
Miss. Anti-Saloon League.

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There will be no issue of the Record next week. The next issue will be dated January 6, 1938.

To the members of Sturgis Baptist Church: The Sturgis Baptist Church has recently decided to send the Baptist Record to every family in the church. It is prayerfully hoped that you will read this weekly messenger of light and thereby receive the benefits of that type of Christian information that is found in this wonderful paper. Cordially yours, A. H. Childress, Pastor.

Important: On page 16 is an article concerning the situation in China. As Dr. Maddry well says, we should find it difficult indeed to eat our bountiful Christmas dinners while countless thousands in China starve. And remember the Foreign Mission Board gets your money to China within three hours of its receipt. Sympathy whispers its message but cash speaks out loud. We have sent our check.

Please be lenient. As indicated elsewhere, Dr. Lipsey is in Memphis, with Mrs. Lipsey who is most critically ill. Hence, this week's paper is prepared under our direction and all the errors and foolish placing of articles should be charged to us. But forget the mistakes and be thankful that we did no worse. We would have done better but we didn't know how.—A.L.G.

MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

Southwestern Mississippi Baptist Ministers' Conference, Fred B. Booker, Secretary

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The Southwestern Mississippi Baptist Ministers' Conference will have a two-days Bible conference January 10 and 11, 1938, at the First Baptist Church, McComb. A good program has been prepared which will include studies in both the Old and New Testament, together with addresses and discussions on subjects of vital interest to the pastors. Dr. E. F. Haight, professor of New Testament and Church History, and Dr. J. Wash Watts, professor of Old Testament Interpretation of the Baptist Bible Institute, will lead the studies in the conference. Other leaders in our Baptist work will also appear on the program. All the ministers of this section of the state are cordially invited to attend this conference.

Entertainment, on the Harvard plan, will be furnished free to all who will attend the conference. Rev. J. B. Hunt, Osyka, Miss., is chairman of the entertainment committee, and all brethren who desire entertainment are urged to write him and arrange for it. The program is as follows:

January 10, 1938

Morning:

9:30—Devotional—Dr. B. Locke Davis.
9:45—Church Music—Mr. Work.
10:00—New Testament Studies—Dr. E. F. Haight.
10:45—Recess.
10:55—Old Testament Studies—Dr. J. W. Watts.
11:40—The Spiritual Life of the Preacher—Dr. W. A. Sullivan.
12:10—Lunch.

Afternoon Session:

1:30—Song and Praise Service—Rev. S. J. Rhodes.
1:45—New Testament Studies—Dr. E. F. Haight.
2:30—"Our Baptist Work"—Dr. R. B. Gunter.
3:00—Old Testament Studies—Dr. J. W. Watts.
3:45—Adjournment.

Evening Session:

7:30—Musical Program—Mr. D. L. Blackwelder.
8:00—Inspirational Message—Dr. W. A. Sullivan.

Second Day—January 11, 1938

Morning Session:

9:00—Devotional—Rev. S. G. Pope.
9:15—New Testament Studies—Dr. E. F. Haight.
10:00—Church Music—Mr. Work.
10:15—Recess.
10:25—Evangelism—Dr. E. K. Cox.
10:55—Old Testament Studies—Dr. J. W. Watts.
11:40—The Spiritual Life of the Preacher—Dr. W. A. Sullivan.

Afternoon Session:

1:30—Song and Praise—Rev. S. J. Rhodes.
1:45—New Testament Studies—Dr. E. F. Haight.
2:20—Old Testament Studies—Dr. J. W. Watts.
3:05—Adjournment.

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The man who sells drink to the automobile driver is particeps criminis when that driver crashes into another car.

If your Record comes in a Pink Wrapper this week, it means that your subscription expires with this issue. In order not to miss a copy send your renewal in now. Don't wait, you might forget.

Sparks and Splinters

From the Baptist Message we learn that 18 Christian Scientists were patients in the Missouri Baptist Hospital last year. Their imagination probably got the best of them.

Strange company—From a daily paper we quote the following concerning the motorcade to Chicago led by Governor White and Mayor Scott of Jackson: "The entourage inspected the Hiram Walker and Sons distillery, and was honored at a banquet in the plant cafeteria as guests of the management."

A few days ago brother Joe Canzoneri underwent a serious operation at the Baptist Hospital in Jackson. We are just informed that he has developed pneumonia and is quite sick. All who know of his condition will join in earnest prayer for his recovery. He is one of the most loved and useful of our ministers.

The First Baptist Church of Ponca City, Okla., led all churches of its association in baptisms and additions for the past associational year. The Cooperative Program gifts also show a 400% increase over the previous year. Dr. A. F. Crittenden, former promotion secretary in Mississippi, is the beloved pastor at Ponca City.

The budget of the Leland Baptist Church for 1938 is \$12,000. One third of this amount will go for missions. The amount was over-subscribed in a period of two weeks. Mr. Harold Crosby served as general director of the Every Member Canvass. The pastor's salary was increased for the coming year. The Baptist Record will be sent to every family in the church. Attendance upon all the services has been increasing steadily.

Dr. J. R. Hobbs has resigned as pastor of the First Church, Birmingham, Ala., to become effective on January 1, 1938, making eighteen years of service. He will become pastor emeritus. His many friends will regret to know of his continued illness which caused his resignation. From the Alabama Baptist we learn that when he became pastor of the church eighteen years ago it had 500 members with 175 enrolled in Sunday school. It now has 2,800 members with a Sunday school enrollment of 1,300. The great educational and office building was erected under his ministry.—Baptist and Reflector.

The farm income for Mississippi this year is over fifteen million more than it was last year. One wonders what all the racket is about being made over depressed prices. It is true that the price of a bale of cotton is much less than last year, but the excess in bales more than makes up for the loss. And this means that the money is better distributed than it would have been if we had gotten more money for a smaller crop. The cotton pickers and ginners and buyers and all who have handled the cotton have shared in the increase in income. Did you ever hear the story of the two Englishmen who came to this country and one of them had never heard the hoot of an owl. On hearing one for the first time he asked his companion what it was. The reply was, "That is a howl." The other answered, "I know it is a howl; but what is he howling about?"

The death recently of Dr. M. K. Thornton at Bessemer, Ala., found sympathy in the hearts of many in Mississippi. He was a native of Mississippi and an alumnus of Mississippi College. While his recent pastorates have been out of the state, he sent his boys to Mississippi College. Brother Thornton was pastor for many years at Starkville. Other pastorates in Mississippi were at Poplarville and Main St. Church, Hattiesburg. He was also for a while superintendent of the Mississippi Baptist Hospital in Jackson. He was greatly beloved. He was pastor of two churches in recent years in Bessemer, Ala., and after he became unable to carry the work of the pastorate, these churches made him pastor emeritus. To his companion and children the Baptists of this state extend sincere sympathy.

It looks like the Louisiana brethren are taking the business of evangelism seriously when they elect a man like Dr. W. H. Knight of Atlanta to superintend their evangelistic campaign.

Dr. C. M. Thompson who has been executive secretary of the Baptist General Convention of Kentucky for 17 years has resigned because of ill health. He did a great work among Kentucky Baptists and his place will be hard to fill.

U. S. Senator Josiah W. Bailey of North Carolina said in the Virginia General Association: "I am reluctant to say it but I will say it—Baptists ought to hang their heads in shame so long as one Baptist is on public relief."

His legions of friends will regret to learn that Joe Canzoneri is quite ill at the Baptist Hospital in Jackson. After an appendicitis operation slight complications arose, but on Monday morning he is reported as better. Unless further complications arise he hopes to soon be able to go home.

THANK YOU: Mrs. M. McCarty, First Baptist Church, Gulfport; Standing Pine Baptist Church; Evergreen and Liberty churches, Wayne County; Mrs. Will Wood, Columbus; Sturgis Baptist Church, Sturgis; Mrs. Will King, Brooklyn; Rev. J. L. Boyd, Meridian; Rev. B. E. Phillips, New Hebron, for subscriptions sent in.

Montgomery County voted against the sale of beer last week by a good majority. Now the board of supervisors had better call in half a dozen notaries to witness their signatures when they sign the statement that the election carried, or there'll be somebody ready to swear to a lie that their signatures wasn't put on the proper line.

Texas Baptists show good judgment: "The Board showed that it has waked up to the value and effectiveness of religious publicity and directed that all the forces should go into and press the campaign for 100,000 subscriptions to the Baptist Standard by March 1, 1938. This ought to be done by all means. If it is done, raising the budget of \$750,000 for the year will be accomplished beyond a doubt." Baptist Standard.

PASTORAL CHANGES: M. S. Varnado from State Line, Miss., to Central Church, Mobile, Ala.; J. Powell Tucker from First Church, Raigh, N. C., to First Church, Orlando, Fla.; R. W. Leaxer from Altus, Okla., to Sedalia, Mo.; J. D. Adcock from St. Petersburg, Fla.; John S. Raymond resigns as financial secretary of First Church, Shreveport, La., to enter business; Robert E. Naylor goes from Mawern, Ark., to First Church, Arkadelphia; Jack Hayes goes to Sweetwater, Okla.; ordained, Fred Stump, Jr., at Wewoka, Okla.; C. M. Gullett becomes pastor of Burn's View Church, S. C.

At the annual meeting of the Executive Board of the Louisiana Baptist Convention on December 7th, Dr. W. H. Knight, a native of Louisiana, former teacher in the Southwestern Baptist Seminary, and for several years the successful pastor of the Tabernacle Baptist Church, Atlanta, Georgia, was elected director of evangelism for the Louisiana Baptist Convention. Dr. Knight is eminently fitted for this task. As pastor of the great Tabernacle church of Atlanta, he has received into the church an average of 527 members annually, an average of 260 coming annually by baptism. He will begin his work with Louisiana Baptists February 15th. A statewide conference on evangelism will be held in Pineville the second week in March.

Dr. Glen Eric Wiley, for three and a half years pastor of the Palm Avenue Baptist Church, Tampa, Fla., has closed his pastorate to become pastor of the First Baptist Church, Grenada, Miss. During his pastorate here the church received between four and five hundred members. Dr. Wiley established the reputation of being a good gospel preacher, well grounded in Baptist faith and polity, and he will blend with the Mississippi brethren in a splendid way. He leaves many friends in Florida who lament his leaving the state. May the Lord richly bless him and his accomplished wife on their new field of labor.—Dr. G. H. Crutcher, Florida Baptist Witness.

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I'm out of the habit of going to the movies. I'd better not go tonight.

I have not been to the movies for so long the walls would fall in if I should go.

I know a man who has gone to the movies for years and he is no better than I am.

There are as many good people outside the movies as inside.

Too many hypocrites attend the movies.

I stay away from the movies because of the kind of folk who support them. I wouldn't sit in the same room with Mr. So-and-So.

The performers get more money than I do. Why should I keep them in good cars and expensive clothes?

I don't like the people in charge of the movies.

I stay away from the movies because I went when I was a child.

I need new clothes before I can go to the movies.

I have a friend visiting me and I don't know whether he likes the movies or not, and I never meddle with a man's private opinions.

I don't go to the movies because the directors never call on me.

I don't go to the movies because when I went the last time not a soul spoke to me.

—Moody Monthly.

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It is with deepest sorrow that we announce the death on December 4 of Miss Clara E. Duckett, secretary of Jacobs List, Inc. For the past 37 years Miss Duckett has been a faithful co-worker and an unselfish and loyal member of this organization. Jacobs List, Inc., are the advertising agents for the Baptist Record.

A minister announced: "Next Sunday I am going to speak on lies, and my text will be the 17th chapter of Mark." The following Sunday he asked the congregation: "I like to know how many have read the 17th chapter of Mark." A great number of hands went up in the congregation. "Now you are just the people I want to talk to—there is no 17th chapter of Mark."

We were just thinking what would have happened in Egypt if Joseph when he was made prime minister, secretary of state and of the interior had adopted the policy of crop reduction during those seven years of plenty. The things written aforetime were intended for our admonition and instruction, but we seem to be mighty hard to teach. President Wilson was about right when he said that he was amazed at the capacity of the human intellect to resist the introduction of knowledge. Do you think the Lord is making a mistake when he gives us good harvests? Does he not know what he is doing? Are we wiser than he? Is it common sense or religion or good economics to force the reduction of agricultural products when a large percentage of the world goes to sleep hungry every night? Men think themselves wise and seek to defy the Almighty. And God comes down to the capital at Washington and confuses their counsel like he did that of people who proposed to build the tower of Babel on the plains of Shinar. The wisdom of men is foolishness with God, and until they can repent of sin and confess their wrong-doing and call on him for forgiveness and help, we will still be groping in darkness. Read again that message in Proverbs: "How long ye simple ones will ye love simplicity . . . Turn ye at my reproof . . . Because I have called and ye refused; I have stretched out my hand and no man regarded, but ye have set at nought all my counsel, and would none of my reproof; I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when your fear cometh . . . Then shalt they call upon me but I will not answer; they shall seek me early but they shall not find me."

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At the recent meeting of the Convention Board several people asked questions about the Baptist Record which were answered in the report to the Baptist State Convention.

Some of those brethren were at the Philadelphia Convention. The report was printed in the Convention Board's report.

Evidently we were mistaken in thinking it would be read. Hence we are giving it below in order that it may be read.

Again we thank the many pastors, W. M. U. workers and other interested men and women throughout Mississippi for their help in largely extending the circulation of the Baptist Record—Mississippi Baptists' OWN paper.

We regret to report that out of 599 preachers listed as Mississippi Baptist pastors, 209 are not listed as subscribers to the Baptist Record.

Of the 72 Convention Board members, 5 are not subscribers.

Our total circulation the last week of October 1936, was 8,919; our total circulation the last week of October 1937, was 12,101, or a gain of 3,282. Much of this increase is due to the widespread use of the EVERY FAMILY plan. The EVERY FAMILY plan is a plan whereby churches send the Record to every resident family in their membership.

In view of the favor with which this plan has been received, we give below some facts concerning it:

Reasons for the Every Family Plan

1. If the Record is good for part of the Baptists of Mississippi, it is good for all of them.
2. Although some subscriptions can be secured by the individual plan, only a few churches are able to get even as many as one-fourth of their families to subscribe with a few others getting 50%, but these are few and far between.
3. Although those who subscribe on the individual basis need the Record, those who do not take it as individuals are the ones who need it most, (often being among the unenlisted). But on the individual plan they rarely subscribe.
4. The EVERY FAMILY plan pays for itself by increased contributions. Many churches testify to this fact.
5. It raises the spiritual tone of the church. Naturally this will result, for where the Record goes to every family of a church, some of them are certain to be spiritually benefitted.
6. It makes the preacher's message more effective. It makes the hearers more receptive and more responsive. As one pastor remarked, "I can preach better to people who read the Record."

Our Plans

1. To produce the best paper we can for MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS.
2. To sell to Mississippi Baptists the idea that the Baptist Record is a part of our denominational program just as much as the other departments and organizations.
3. To impress on Mississippi Baptists the idea that the Record is Mississippi Baptists' OWN paper and deserves their support.
4. To emphasize the fact that as the Record is a part of Mississippi Baptists' work, it is the duty of pastors and others, to promote it with the same energy that they give to other phases of our work.
5. To steer clear of "Whoop-'em-up" schemes. But to stay on the main line of producing the best paper possible and then getting the most people possible to read it.

The Dividends

A good publicity organ for Mississippi Baptists.

A vehicle by which all the work may be presented to the Baptists of Mississippi.

Its messages of information, consecration and inspiration have gone into a growing number of homes. Many of these have caught a vision of the magnitude of the task. As the circulation of the Record has grown, the receipts of the Convention Board Office have shown a healthy increase.

Two trained workers in the person of the editor and circulation manager ready to represent all phases of the organized work.

A constant promotional agency for the W. M. U.; B. T. U.; Orphanage; Convention Board; Sunday School Department; B. S. U.; Hospitals; Colleges; Foreign Missions; Home Missions, and other agencies.

In other words, Mississippi Baptists need the Baptist Record and the more widely it is circulated, the more useful it becomes.

During the past year, if the promotional material and propaganda for the various objects, all of which are worthy, had been paid for at one-half the regular rate, the income of the Baptist Record would have been increased by approximately \$11,000.00.

We are grateful to Purser Brothers, who print the Record, for a reduction in the cost of printing the Record. Although this reduction did not take effect until February first, and hence will not show a reduction in the cost of the Record for the whole year, but based on a circulation of 10,000 copies, the reduction would amount to \$2,040.00 over a period of twelve months.

We have no suggestions to make, but still insist that

"Ask the people and they'll subscribe."

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A CALL TO PRAYER

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The war in China against the Chinese, is tearing my heart and troubling my soul. I labored under the old Foreign Mission Board for thirty years, and it is no news to say, I regard the Chinese as the noblest people I ever knew. I baptized a thousand, and years before I left, I quit counting.

The enclosed letter (printed below) explains itself. Madame Chiang is appealing in it to me and to you and the women everywhere to help her. We can do so by prayer. Hezekiah opened the letter he read from the Assyrian king that threatened to destroy Jerusalem, and Isaiah told him God's answer was, "I will put my hook in thy nose and my bridle in thy lips, and I will turn thee back by the way which thou camest," speaking of the king.

War will no more stop war than fuel added to fire, will stop fire. And the old World War slogan, "Make the World Safe for Democracy," must be reversed, viz: "Make Democracy Safe for the World by Evangelizing and Giving a Christian Education to the World."

Please let me hear from you. I am appealing to the women of the South to pray as they have never prayed before, and any message of prayer or of deep sympathy, I will send it again through my friend.

There are Chinese students here that give me the latest news, one of them is considered an unofficial ambassador from China. He has graduated here in the School of Journalism, and is also a very close friend. We talk Chinese together, and compare notes.

Hezekiah's men went in sack cloth to Isaiah to find out God's will, and so we must humble ourselves and go to God as children of the dust. Moody used to say we belong in the dust. And our dear Lord said as Isaiah represents him as saying, "I am a worm and no man." Taking it to mean that he used no physical force, "not by might nor by power but by my Spirit saith the Lord of Hosts," I am not asking that a one sided view be taken, but that the war may stop in accordance with the will of God if it so be on both sides. I lived in Hwanghsien thirteen years and in Chefoo, which station I opened, seventeen years. Let two's pray together also based on Matthew 18:19. My earnest prayer goes with this.

Yours fraternally,

Peyton Stephens

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The book of Revelation is a miniature Bible. It begins with a revelation of God on the throne and ends with a redeemed earth, taking you through all the stages of conflict, disappointment, victory to glory.

FROM THE FIRST LADY OF CHINA

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Headquarters of the Generalissimo, Nanking, 12th October, 1937.—Peyton Stephens, Esq., Prairie Grove Church, Columbia, Missouri, U. S. A.—Dear Mr. Stephens: Madame Chiang Kai-shek instructs me to acknowledge receipt of your letter of September 23rd. Madame deeply appreciates all that you wrote in your letter about the Chinese and feels that, as you will tell people wherever you are what you know of the Chinese, you will be helping China considerably. The poor people of China are now being mercilessly killed and mutilated by bombs from the air. It is impossible for you to imagine the horrible scenes after bombs have been dropped in villages, cities and other places where people congregate. For hundreds of yards the scenes are terrible. Demolished and burning buildings, blood splashed all over the debris, torn mangled bodies, legs, arms, heads, severed from the trunks, scattered in all directions. There never could have been greater havoc anywhere. This goes on from north to south of China, and now the use of mustard gas is being added by the Japanese to try to overwhelm the Chinese, who are fighting for the life of their country, but whom the Japanese have so far been unable to defeat, even with a superior might of mechanized equipment.

Yours sincerely,

D. E. Woo, Secretary to
Madame Chiang Kai-shek.

ECHOES FROM ITALY

Mrs. Dewey Moore

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Our missionary group will observe the Day of Prayer on December 3rd. Giovanna (the young lady in the office) heard a very beautiful hymn this summer in English somewhere, and has translated it for the occasion. She and Mrs. Whittinghill's daughter, Diana, will sing it at this meeting.

Last week we had some special services with Dr. L. Paschetto of Turin preaching. The meetings were well attended and while there have been no apparent startling results, every one feels that the effort was worth while. He did some fine preaching.

Mrs. Fasula, matron of the orphanage, was much pleased a few weeks ago when an employer of one of her former charges called to say that he was well satisfied with the boy she had sent and that if she had any more like that, he would have a place for them. She told us that she had always stressed the fact that as evangelicals in this country, the boys must be different from others in being honest and diligent, in order to show that their religion meant something in their everyday life. She is really doing a fine work and is just the one for the job. She even leaves money lying around the house in order to make sure they will not yield to that temptation.

This letter is long enough already and I haven't said a word about our new baby, but that will have to wait for the next time. Needless to say, we are very proud of "our son" and pray that we may prove worthy parents for this great gift from God. He is growing fast and seems to be perfectly normal in every way.

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Here is a paragraph from Senator J. W. Bailey worthy of careful reading and study: "There ought to be a real social security in any church—it ought to be impossible for one to want—either for food or opportunity—in a Baptist church. It is not enough to make a human being secure. Jesus demands that every human being shall have a fair opportunity in all the reaches of faith. The child of poverty is God's creature, and in His image. You withhold from him the destiny of which he is capable at your peril. In truth it is in contemplation that the whole life of the church shall be shared in one Redeemer, in the security of faith as well as goods. There are no chosen families or selected persons in the economy of the Kingdom of God. There are no special privileges or exemptions whatsoever."

EDITORIALS

SCIENCE AND THE FAITH

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The so-called conflict between science and religion is not a thing that originated in our day. It goes back at least to the times of the New Testament. Careful students of the Bible delving in the past like the archeologists who are digging in Asia Minor and Palestine and in the Euphrates Valley are telling us of the pervasive and assertive systems of gnosticism with which Paul and Peter and John came into conflict in their day. And these religio-archeologists point out in the letters of these apostles overt and covert allusions to the gnostics and their teaching.

Our concern is not so much with the historic interest in these controversies as in the eternal principles evolved in the conflict and embodied in the Holy Scriptures given us by these apostles. And some of the things they said in this connection come in mighty handy and helpful to us in solving our own difficulties.

The word science occurs only twice in our English Bible, once in the Old Testament, Daniel 1:4 and once in the New Testament, I Timothy 6:20, though the word so translated in the latter place is often used in the New Testament. They had scientists aplenty in Babylon in Daniel's day, such as they were, and their name went abroad far and wide. In Timothy's day they were quite busy undertaking to explain everything from the origin of the world on out. But you will recall that when Paul uses that word in writing to Timothy he speaks of it as science falsely so called. And the whole sentence is worthy of attention: "O Timothy, guard that which is committed unto thee, turning away from the profane babblings and oppositions of the science (knowledge) which is falsely so called, which some professing have erred (missed the mark) concerning the faith."

It ought to be borne in mind that Paul was not an ignorant religious fanatic who took refuge in obscurantism against which some modern rationalists inveigh. He was familiar with the best learning of the best schools of his time. He was raised in an atmosphere of culture and could hold his own with the elite and intelligentia at Athens. He could quote their own poets and philosophers. He had no prejudice against knowledge. He was reared in the shadow of a great university. He was far from having a closed mind. He knew the value that Greeks put upon sophia and grosis. Philosophy and science were at his right hand. But he had a righteous contempt for the science which was falsely so called. He knew that it could not prove its pretentious claims. And he knew that it was limited in its sphere, and should keep to its sphere. Whenever it assumed the functions of religion, it should be told to keep in its place. He knew that man by "wisdom" could not know God, and that it was powerless to change the life and conduct of men to righteousness.

It is interesting to compare the words he uses about those who profess it and those who preach the gospel. Those who preach the gospel he calls "evangelists"; those who "profess" or proclaim this false science he calls "epangeliasts." The evangelist proclaims the good news of the kingdom of God. The other is a pretender.

The two are distinguished according to Paul by the sort of language they use. The evangelist uses great plainness of speech. The other engages in profane babblings, "empty bla-bla" is as good a translation as any. Anybody who reads the philosophic dissertations to be found in the magazines which undertake to apply the "scientific method" to religion will be impressed with the vacuous and meaningless verbosity of their style. It is difficult to understand how many of them take themselves seriously.

There can be no doubt that in the mind of Paul the faith of God's people is imperiled by the pretensions of pseudo scientists. He says that "Some professing have erred concerning the

faith." They have missed the mark concerning the faith. They have mistaken the road; the real purpose of the faith has been lost sight of. The moral objective has been abandoned. The salvation of men has given place to intellectual gymnastics and the speculators have ended in nasta physical morasses.

Because of this danger Paul urges Timothy to "Guard the deposit," put a military guard over the treasure of faith which has been committed to him. The faith is more important to us and to the world than all the gold which the United States government has buried at Fort Knox in Kentucky, and about which it keeps a military unit on constant guard. We have given God a deposit and He has given us a deposit. Paul says "I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that he is able to keep my deposit, that which I have committed unto Him against that day. He will not fail us. Our deposit is guarded unto a salvation ready to be revealed in the last day," I P. 1:5.

Now if God so sacredly guards that which we have committed to him, he expects us to guard with the same care that which he has committed to us. That treasure is the purity and integrity of the faith of Christ.

RENEWING OF THE MIND

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There is nothing in the world that makes and keeps the mind alive like the religion of the Lord Jesus. "In Him was life and the life was the light of men." "And you hath he made alive who were dead in trespasses." Sin numbs the brain, and the Spirit of God quickens it. "The law of the Spirit of life did in Christ Jesus make me free from the law of sin and death." The religion of Jesus awakens men out of sloth, slumber and indolence, and it sets before them great, worthy and challenging fields for investigation and learning. It is for this reason Paul can speak of being transformed, or transfigured by the renewing of your mind, Romans 12:2.

All modern education is the child of Christianity. The awakening impulse is the product of the Spirit of Jesus. There has been no effort at education worthy of the name apart from religion. There have been no great and popular educational movements that have taken hold of the masses of the people, except those that were generated by the religious impulse. Revivals of religion always start young people to school. And a thorough religious awakening always provides schools for them to go to.

A man cannot be "alive unto God" and have a dead or stagnant intellect. A "sound mind" is the work of the greatest Specialist in mental diseases the world ever knew. The race of "supermen" will not come by any sort of selection in the marriage relation, nor by any sort of gland specialists; it will be the result of giving full exercise to the faith which appropriates the life of God in Christ and follows on to know the mind of God. "This is life eternal to know thee, the only true God and Jesus Christ whom thou didst send."

If any proof of this is needed, you will find that a study of the men who have been considered eligible for Who's Who In America will reveal the fact that a larger percentage come from preachers' homes than any other class of men. Eccentricities of genius may be found among the godless; but the people who are doing the world's work, bearing its burdens and leading in the most worthwhile enterprises are those in whom is the Spirit of God.

Silver Springs, Pike County. A letter from Pastor H. M. Kinlaw informs us that the EVERY FAMILY plan has been adopted by Silver Springs church. Pastors just give your church a chance backed by your O. K. and results are practically 100% for it.

Forest: Pastor Wood is rejoicing over exceeding the 200 mark in Sunday school. Good crowds continue to attend the preaching service. The 1938 budget carries increases for Cooperative Program, building fund and pastor's salary. (Note—Forest has the EVERY FAMILY plan.)

A CHRISTIAN CHRISTMAS

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Scholars agree that Jesus was not born on December 25, but the great EVENT and not the exact day is the matter of supreme importance. And the busy world should pause and think of Him and what His coming meant.

Nineteen hundred years ago angels appeared to the simple shepherds of Bethlehem, the celestial choir sang and angels chanted that grand doxology, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

How different is the Bethlehem of today. Bethlehem where Christ was born is now a bloody battleground. On that first Christmas the stillness of night was broken by the angel's song, on this Christmas the snarling of contending factions will be heard around those hallowed hills.

The darkness that enveloped the simple shepherd, was brightened by the appearance of the angels. On this Christmas night the darkness will be made lurid by the flames of the contending Jews and Arabs.

Not only is the Christmas different in Bethlehem but it is different in Mississippi. Instead of celebrating the birth of Christ, many will disgrace the day. Many will dishonor His name, disgrace themselves in a day of drunkenness and dissipation. Let's remember that the day we celebrate is in honor of Christ and not the Devil.

Toplady in his delightful book, "The Cross at the Front," tells of an old stone church in the war zone of France which had stood for centuries but had been practically demolished during the World War. Every grave stone had been shot down, every window had been shattered. Inside the walls resembled a man with smallpox, and no picture or statue was in its place. But in the midst of all this devastation, there was a large wooden cross upon which was a life size figure of Christ and that alone stood untouched amid the wreck and ruin. This typifies the Changeless Christ. Our cemeteries may be devastated, our church building ruined; our houses destroyed, and our fortunes swept away, but the Cross of Jesus Christ will stand towering over the wrecks of time.

In order to put Christ in Christmas let us observe some things that Christmas is not.

It is not a day of dissipation nor does the day confer a license for such. Drunkenness is drunkenness any day. It is a sin in the sight of God and a disgrace to a man, (or woman these days), to get drunk whether it be July or December, Independence Day or Christmas Day. It is no worse to take a little bit because it is Christmas than to do likewise because it is Easter or Thanksgiving. Christmas drunkenness often leads to continual drunkenness.

If any time of the year calls for better behavior than another, certainly Christmas does. Then we are celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ, the man who lived a life of perfection free from sin of every kind.

Overloading the stomach is no sign of Christmas. It is well and good to have plenty to eat Christmas but it is foolishness to eat enough to cause a week of indigestion.

Christmas is not running around all day and taking Sunday for recuperation when your pastor expects you at church.

How then can we put Christ into Christmas?

Plan to make it a day of joy, real joy, Christian joy. Do those things that bring happiness to you and to others. The more happiness we bring to others, the more happiness we will have for ourselves.

"Others, Lord, yes, others;

Let this my motto be,

Help me to live for others

That I may live for Thee."

Make Christmas a day of thanksgiving. You probably don't have all you want of many things but there are a plenty of things for which you can be thankful. Try it. Make Christmas a day of gladness, goodness, and gaiety.

Make Christmas a day of good will. Are you at "outs" with some one? Did you speak harshly

to some friend? Do you have a grievance against some one? Try settling these matters and the turkey will be more tender, the dessert more delicious.

Be certain to tell your friends that you appreciate their friendship. If nearby, tell 'em. If away, don't overlook a Christmas card. Deep down in their hearts they appreciate them.

"Why do we wait till ears are deaf
Before we speak our kindly word.
And only utter loving praise
When not a whisper can be heard?

"Why do we wait till hearts are still
To tell them all the love that's ours,
And give them such late meed of praise,
And lay above them fragrant flowers?

"O, let us heed the living friend
Who walks with us life's common ways,
Watching our eyes, for look of love,
And hungering for a word of praise."

—British Weekly.

—A. L. G.

RECIPE FOR "A HAPPY NEW YEAR"

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Much is now being written about Christmas. Many are the words and often the advice about a safe and sane Christmas. All of which is timely but before the next issue of the Record on January 6, the year 1937 will be but a memory and 1938 will be a fact. So we are daring to offer a few observations on how to have a happy New Year.

Do your very best at your work. Let happiness come as a by-product. Those who seek happiness as the main thing will most likely fail to find it. It comes as a reward for things done and not as a result of being sought after.

Think less about yourself and more about others, less about how hard you work and more about how well you do your work. More folks rust out than wear out.

Take care of your conscience. Do nothing that will hurt it. A guilty conscience is a great mischief makes. It hurts all around. Our work suffers, our peace is disturbed, our face takes on a guilty look and our spirituality drops.

Healthy habits will be a stepping stone to happiness in any year. Lost health may be regained, but not 100%. God is interested in our health. Jesus performed many miracles to restore health. And though trite, we say, "A healthy body is conducive to happiness."

Be loyal to your church. We can't recall any busy Christians who ever got into trouble. A pulling mule can't kick and a kicking mule can't pull.

Happy Christians are busy Christians. Be loyal to its services, its finances, its programs, its pastors.

And, finally, to have a happy New Year be loyal to the Master. In case of doubt, don't. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in him should not perish but should have everlasting life." God gave his best for us. Certainly we shall be happy as we do, give, and be, our best for Him in 1938.

—A.L.G.

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Biloxi, First: Pastor Hodge preached Sunday on "The Wise Men, the Star and the Savior." In the afternoon the young people held services in Beauvoir and also in the new Veterans' Home and on Monday night gave a Christmas cantata at the church.

Prentiss: Bids will be received December 23 for the erection of a new brick church building costing around \$16,000,000, and the money is already in the bank according to B. G. Walden, chairman of the building committee. The new building will be erected on the present church site after removing the old building. The present building has served Prentiss Baptists for 30 years. The pastor at Prentiss is Dr. L. E. Green. (Note—Prentiss church has been sending the Record to EVERY FAMILY for two years which helps explain the ease with which the money was raised before, not after.—A.L.G.)

LET'S GO

By A. L. GOODRICH, Circulation Manager

"Ask the People and They'll Subscribe"

ON THE GO

The Record does pay. A letter from Mrs. Tommie Hammill brings a list of EVERY FAMILY from Sturgis. Rev. A. H. Childress is their pastor. They now have 51 Record readers.

Pelahatchie

Rev. D. H. Barnhill (one of the Barnhill boys) is the pastor at Pelahatchie, and though he has only been there a short time, things have been humming.

He found a \$300.00 debt. Prayer and hard work have paid it.

He suggested the Sunday school budget plan. They adopted it. To the happy surprise of many they have been able to pay all current bills month by month, increase their mission gifts, repair the church at a cost of \$700.00 and pay \$750.00 on the pastorum.

The close of their fiscal year found \$30.00 left in the treasury. They sent that to the Orphanage as a thank offering.

Pastor Barnhill hopes soon to have the EVERY FAMILY plan adopted at Pelahatchie. He came in this morning and announced that the church had adopted the EVERY FAMILY plan.

Rankin County has subscribers listed as follows:

CLEAR BRANCH CHURCH 43; Brandon 12 and 2 R. F. D.; FLORENCE 56; R. F. D. Florence 6; Goshen Springs 4; Puckett 1; Sand Hill 2; ANTIOCH CHURCH 14; STAR 50; R. F. D. Star 16; Pelahatchie 12 and 4 R. F. D.; MOUNTAIN CREEK CHURCH 29; PEARSON CHURCH 27.

Liberty

Charley Thompson, the pastor at Liberty, is about the nearest thing to perpetual motion that we know.

Recently they closed a meeting with Dr. B. L. Davis as evangelist. There were 14 additions and during the year there have been 45.

The budget for 1937 has been overpaid.

All the organizations function well under capable and consecrated leaders.

(Over one-half the families have been getting the Record. The Record does pay.)

A recent letter brings the good news that Liberty has adopted the EVERY FAMILY plan for 1938.

Amite County subscribers are listed as follows: Smithdale 4; GLOSTER 71 and 17 R.F.D.; Gloster Route Five 10; LIBERTY 34 and 12 R. F. D. (EVERY FAMILY for 1938); Route 3, Liberty 13.

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Dear brother editor and circulating manager:

We done done it. The church in conference voted to go to full time and put the Record in all the homes of the church. They also voted to increase the budget to take care of the added expense.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all,

C. W. Baldridge, Pastor

Inverness Baptist Church.

(Note—Let other pastors lead as has Pastor Baldridge. The fact that he already had one-half the families taking the Record probably helped put over the full-time idea.—A.L.G.)

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THE PROOF OF THE PUDDING

Dear Mr. Goodrich:

We surely want to keep the Baptist Record in every Baptist home in our church for 1938. This has been a good year for us, good in many ways, financially we have gotten along better than any year since we've had a church. All bills for 1937 are paid and we have a nice little sum in the bank to begin the new year. This is the only time in history that we have ever been ahead but many times behind in finances.

We feel that every Baptist church in Mississippi should include the Record in its budget. It will strengthen your church in many ways. May I ask you just try it for one year. We think the Record will be of greater value to us in 1938 than it has been in 1937 as our members are becoming more and more familiar with it and are liking it better and better.

The Sunflower Baptist Church would like to recommend the Baptist Record for every home in every Baptist church. We know what it will do, we have tried it. Won't you?

Best wishes for Christmas and the New Year.

Mrs. F. M. McEachern,
Treasurer, Sunflower Baptist Church.

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THE RECORD PAYS DIVIDENDS

In another column is a news item from Land. Note these facts:

1. The budget for 1938 is \$12,000.
2. One-third goes for Missions.
3. The PASTOR'S SALARY WAS INCREASED.
4. THE BUDGET WAS OVER-SUBSCRIBED. (OUR COMMENT—They have had the Record going to one-half the families during 1937.)

THE RECORD DOES PAY.

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WANTED—MORE SHIRLEYS

In another column is a report of a W. M. U. study course at Lorena taught by Miss Camille Shirley. We quote the following sentence: "Miss Shirley also gave an inspiring message in the closing service in behalf of the Baptist Record AND each member pledged to subscribe and to work to put it into every home of the church."

What Miss Shirley did COULD be done by every W. M. U., B. T. U., Sunday School, Brotherhood and church study course teacher.

WON'T YOU?

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GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN



We had to drop 'em. They didn't renew. Did someone fail to ask them.

"ASK THE PEOPLE AND THEY'LL RENEW."

Monticello 34; R.F.D. Tylertown 18; Dinan Church, Walthall County, 14; Plantersville 13; Gulfport 10; R.F.D. Philadelphia 9; Lucedale 8; Hattiesburg 7; Berwick Church, Amite County 6; McComb 5.

Four each: New Hebron, Greenwood, Brookhaven.

Three each: Kossuth, Peoria, Kosciusko, Jackson, Columbus, Center Terrace Church, Canton, Winona, Decatur, Picayune, Holmesville, New Albany, Vicksburg.

Two each: Biloxi, Baldwyn, Tupelo, Canton, First, Union, Pinola, Mize, Dockery, Hollandale, Eupora, Benton.

One each: Corinth, Big Creek, Ackerman, Slate Springs, Houston, Hermanville, Shubuta, Enterprise, West Enterprise, Crystal Springs, Wesson, Petal, Roxie, Hamburg, Durant, West, Belzoni, Union Church, Tula, 15th Ave., Meridian, Walnut Grove, Belden, Caledonia, Sidon, Bogue Chitto, Norfield, Camden, Columbia; Aberdeen, Amory, Kilmichael, Dixon, Neshoba, Brooksville, Hickory, Summit, Magee, Shivers, Perkinston, Inverness, Indianola, Tyro, Walnut, Cotton Plant, Tishomingo, Sledge, Wallerville, Blue Springs, New Zion Church, Walthall County, Redwood, Buckatuna.

ENDOWMENT CAMPAIGN OF MISSISSIPPI WOMAN'S COLLEGE

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The friends, faculty, and students of Mississippi Woman's College are deeply grateful for the action of the State Convention at its recent session in support of the college. We are also appreciative of the generous and unselfish support which individuals gave to the request made of the Convention by President Holcomb and our Board of Trustees. Such cooperation, we believe, will enable the college to get on a sound and permanent basis. It shall be our constant endeavor not only to be worthy of the confidence and support of the denomination but to render a service that Mississippi Baptists will appreciate and that will bring glory to the cause of our Lord.

We are very anxious to cooperate with the convention forces in realizing the objectives, and to keep faith with the Convention to the limit of our ability. We shall push the campaign, in accordance with the instruction of the Convention. We therefore, here and now, make an urgent appeal to every Baptist church in the state, that has not yet been able to contribute to the endowment, to do so. We have no other place to go except to Mississippi Baptists. If we do not have access to our Baptists, in some way, you can see readily that it will be impossible for us to complete the task. I am sure that the brethren do not intend to require us to raise \$50,000.00 without giving us a chance to present the cause to their people. Unless we can have a chance to appeal to the people we cannot expect them to come forward with the money. It seems that some of the brethren are expecting us to raise the endowment, but do not want us to come to their fields or to present it to their churches. Frankly, if many of the brethren take this attitude, our hands are tied.

We have not, however, depended on church offerings to complete the campaign, as some seem to think we have. From the very beginning of the campaign, we have contacted many people, both men and women, in the state and out, soliciting personal subscriptions. We intend to continue this method, while we are at the same time appealing to you.

Am I asking for too much when I request that we be permitted at least to present the appeal to those who own the institution? It is our conviction and experience that the people will respond when given proper opportunity. Not only so, but brethren who are interested in the Lord's cause should not regard the men who are trying to raise money for any denominational interest as "necessary evils" or undesirable visitors. If a denominational agency sends a man out to raise money when the Convention has ordered it to be done, surely he has a right to expect courteous receptions—especially on the part of pastors and other denominational leaders. In fact, he should have regularly before him enough voluntary invitations to employ his full time.

It is a well established rule of faith and practice that Baptists express themselves by majority vote either in a local church or in Convention. If any man cannot conscientiously abide by what the majority in the Convention determines as its program, then I think he should have the right to withhold his personal support. At the same time, I doubt very seriously if he has the right to withhold from others the opportunity to cooperate if they wish.

Brethren, we want a sympathetic hearing. Is this not a Baptist cause? Has it not been urged by the Convention in session? Has it not been favorably passed three consecutive times by this body? We are asking for friendly cooperation on the part of Baptists. Unless you give us this, you are requiring us to do the impossible.

President Holcomb has made the following analysis of the total contributions up to this time, which is interesting and challenging:

Out of State Pledges.....\$ 21,309.00
Forrest County (Including Tatum,
Trustees, Faculty and Students'

Pledges)	106,793.93
Mississippi (other than Forrest Co.) ..	34,758.74
Total.....	\$162,861.67

When all of Mississippi outside Forrest County shall have added to their previous contributions the \$50,000.00 pledged by the Convention, the total will not be as much as that already subscribed by Forrest County alone, and the trustees, faculty, and students of Mississippi Woman's College will have contributed more than 10% of the \$200,000.00. Certainly such sacrificial loyalty justifies and calls for your cooperation.

The Endowment Committee will endeavor, in every way possible, to go forward with the campaign in accordance with the Convention's instructions, sparing neither time nor expense, and at the same time counting on, and expecting, the cooperation of Mississippi Baptists.

Otto Whitington

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MINISTERS AND HERESY
By Wm. James Robinson, A.M., D.D.

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Ministers should be, when possible, highly educated and thoroughly trained for their work. Many poorly schooled men have been marvelously used of God as ministers, but this is no argument against education. Ministers should be great readers, striving to acquaint themselves with every fact that will strengthen their ministry in the pulpit, or in social contacts with their people, or with the public: "Knowledge is power" whether in the pulpit or out of it; and ignorance is weakness. Ministers can not afford to be weak. They owe it to their Lord and their people to be strong for service.

Ministers can not know everything. They are specialists and should strive to prove themselves worthy. Most ministers are financially unable to buy the books and periodicals they need to become well read. Few have access to good public libraries. All such must endure their handicap and strive to use well the information they have.

The minister's first intellectual obligation is this: "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth," (2 Tim. 2:15). The Bible furnishes material of such variety that men may specialize, with a view of mastering one department, and be compelled to leave much slightly touched. The service a minister feels called of God to render will determine what he shall major on. Very few men, if any, ever really master the whole Bible.

The minister needs to know much that he says little about. He should thoroughly acquaint himself with every religious doctrine taught in his vicinity, and particularly every heresy that is even remotely likely to attract any of his congregation. He is a shepherd and must guard his flock.

The devil often presents himself as an angel of light, audaciously striving to deceive the very elect. Satan has his ministers at work just as really as the Lord has his. Many honest, sincere, but deluded men are serving the devil unintentionally, but really, in propagating destructive heresies. They wrest the scriptures to their own destruction and to the destruction of others unwittingly.

Destructive heresies are invariably couched in plausible terms, making a fair show of truth. They look innocent, and have every mark of truth, until carefully examined by a capable investigator. Heretics use the same words the orthodox use but give them a different content. The sacred name "God" does not mean the same to Christian Scientists, Mormons, Unity and evangelical Christians. Many unsuspecting persons sincerely believe because these groups say "God" they mean what Baptists, Methodists and Presbyterians mean. In fact evangelical Christians, Mormons, Unity and Christian Scientists each give the word "God" a different meaning.

Most of our laity and many of our ministers are ignorant of these subtle methods of heretics. Sometime ago I decided to make a special study

of an outstanding group of religionists, well represented in the community when I was making my investigations, and to my surprise I was grossly ignorant of their doctrines, and was unable to find an orthodox minister who seemed to know any more about them than I did. They were propagating their deadly heresies in the community and receiving help from orthodox Christians while doing so.

Except in extreme cases it is not wise to deal opening and severely with heretics. Severe attacks, and railing accusations, often result in arousing sympathy for the accused and places them in the role of martyrs to their advantage. Unwise attacks often arouse interest in heretical doctrines and cause innocent and uninformed persons, incapable of making a discriminating investigation to be led away by their subtle methods. Most heretical groups publish a very pleasurable propaganda literature and untrained investigators read it and are convinced they have found the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth. "Small boats should stay near the shore." He is a wise man who knows his limitations and governs himself accordingly.

The wise minister will thoroughly inform himself, and reply to heresy by clearly and forcibly preaching the truth in its fullness. I mentioned the fact that religionists who use the word "God" do not agree concerning the character and nature of God. Let our ministers thoroughly indoctrinate their congregations, instilling into them the truth, without any mixture, and heretics will find great difficulty in disturbing them. The minister who knows and preaches the truth, and leads his people to believe it, is building a fortress heresy can not assail successfully. Suppose, for instance, a minister finds "Unity" is spreading its subtle teachings in the community. Let him inform himself concerning "Unity" and the Bible doctrine it is misrepresenting. Then preach the truth that exposes the error as if he had never heard of the error. Truth after all is the only antidote for heresy.

In extreme cases, and they sometimes arise, the well informed minister is justified in openly assailing heretical groups. Let him thoroughly inform himself concerning the group under consideration—be sure he has their doctrines well in hand, making exact quotations from their standard works, and at the same time quoting the scripture that confutes the error. Do this in a kind, sympathetic, loving spirit and much good will be done. Sarcasm, railing and vituperation seldom do any good and often prove a boomerang.

Paul's charge to Timothy is applicable to every minister: "Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with long-suffering and doctrine," (2 Tim. 4:2). Where such preaching has been done faithfully for some years heresies meet a cold reception.

Mormons and Catholics thoroughly indoctrinate their people, and then studiously inoculate them against what they regard as heresy and, as a result, it is very difficult to win them to another faith. Baptists should be as wise. A thoroughly indoctrinated Baptist seldom apostatizes—he can not for he knows and believes the truth and is inoculated against error.

Kansas City, Mo.

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The Delta Pastors' Conference has recently been organized with the following officers: E. H. Westmoreland, Leland, president; W. C. Hankins, Indianola, secretary. The conference meets monthly on Monday morning following the second Sunday in each month. A social meeting to which the minister's wives were invited was held at the Hotel Greenville on Monday evening, December 13th, with Dr. and Mrs. Fred Smith of Greenville serving as host and hostess for the occasion. The next meeting will be held at the Baptist Church at Indianola on Monday, January 10th, beginning at 10:00 o'clock in the morning. All Delta pastors are urged to attend. Another social meeting will be held at Leland in February.

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THE CHINA EMERGENCY RELIEF

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This winter will doubtless see greater suffering and misery across the face of the world than ever before. The most intense will likely be experienced in war-torn China where countless thousands must suffer the indescribable ravages and distresses of a mercilessly cruel war. Disease, death, wounds, hunger, extreme poverty and want and pitiless exposure to the winter's cold will be seen on every hand. Among those thus tortured will be many of our brothers in Christ.

Our Foreign Mission Board, acting upon the authority of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, is making an urgent appeal to our churches for relief funds. In every letter and cablegram coming to the Board from China the calls for aid grow more urgent and the need greater. In our response to this appeal we have a great opportunity not only to relieve human suffering but also to bear a very definite and telling Christian witness to a heathen world at war. How we stand by our missionaries and their stricken Chinese people in this hour of their greatest peril will largely color and measure our influence with them both now and when the war clouds shall have cleared away.

As Mississippi representative on our Foreign Mission Board I urge our Mississippi pastors and churches to give their congregations a good opportunity for an offering for this cause. Some pastors and churches have seen fit to present this appeal individually to generous men and women that they take part more largely in this great expression of Christian good-will, and large individual contributions have thus been secured.

May I also call upon you to offer prayer daily and at all the services of the churches, that the hearts of governments and peoples may be turned to justice, understanding and good-will. But our prayers must be translated into deeds, into the relief of innocent war sufferers if they are to be effective.

Yours earnestly,
J. D. Franks

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THE ORPHANAGE MAKES PLANS

By W. N. Taylor

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At the recent session of the Baptist State Convention the Board of Trustees of the Baptist Orphanage presented a comprehensive building program for the institution. The program was approved by the Convention and the Board was authorized to proceed.

The Executive Committee of the Board, acting under authority previously granted by the full Board, procured the services of Rev. Bryan Simmons as field representative for 1938, his chief duty being to solicit funds for new buildings.

Members of the Orphanage Board feel that no better selection could have been made. No man among us exemplifies the spirit of self-sacrifice and liberality more completely than does brother Simmons. His first act after being selected for this important work was to make a subscription to the buildings representing 20 per cent of his total salary.

Many of our people, will no doubt, regret that brother Simmons will withdraw, at least temporarily, from the evangelistic work. We can secure his early return to that field by giving him whole-hearted cooperation in this new assignment, looking to its successful completion in the shortest possible time.

The new nursery building is practically completed and will be occupied about January 1. Some thirty-five or forty boys will then be moved into the old nursery so as to get them out of a building now considered dangerous.

Our policy is to pay as we build. There is to be no debt left hanging over when the work is completed. We seek the prayerful and helpful cooperation of ministry and laity alike.

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It is said that forty years ago one-third of the population of Boston was Protestant; today only three percent.

THE GRENADA AND McCOMB CONFERENCES

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FIFTEEN OR MORE ASSOCIATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFICERS FROM EVERY PRESENTS AT THE STATE MEETINGS. Let that be our great aim.

This associational Sunday school work is effective as it is led by a full and functioning group of associational officers. Then, surely the best thing that can be done now is to spend every effort on the task of getting a full set of officers enlisted in every association and then getting them ready to attend one of the state meetings for associational Sunday school officers and selected representatives at Grenada, January 13, 14, or McComb, January 14, 15.

The moderators of the district associations can help greatly here, and the associational Sunday school superintendents need help in completing their organizations. A full organization needs as a minimum—an associational superintendent, an associate for training leadership, an associate for soul-winning leadership, a secretary-treasurer, a department superintendent for each of the eight departments of the Sunday school, a vacation Bible school superintendent, and group superintendents, one for each four to seven churches.

Many times these workers are hard to get, but that only makes success the more glorious when the necessary energy and persistence is forthcoming to finally locate and enlist these workers.

Just think! An average of 15 enlisted workers from each of the 70 associations in Mississippi would make 1,050 workers present at these two meetings. 1,050 district associational Sunday school officers and selected representatives meeting together to pray and plan, to study and determine to take the message of greater Sunday school work out to every church and to every untouched community. It's a great goal and worthy of great effort. Let's do our best.

—Harold E. Ingram, Secretary, Sunday School Administration Dept., Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.

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ACCEPTS INVITATION

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At the annual October meeting, the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, accepted the invitation to become a member of the Foreign Mission Conference of North America. This interdenominational group is composed of the foreign mission boards of the Protestant churches of Canada and the United States of North America.

During the recent crisis in the Orient, the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has received invaluable assistance and cooperation as all of these affiliating boards have followed the same general policies and have given the same instructions and advise to their missionaries over-seas.

During the days of Dr. R. J. Willingham's secretaryship of the Board, Southern Baptists were affiliated with this conference. Dr. Willingham once served as the president of the organization.

In recent years the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention withdrew. But again it is returning, and will be represented in Toronto January 4-6 by the executive secretary, Charles E. Maddry.

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Senator Josiah William Bailey of North Carolina, has been named to succeed Supreme Court Justice Hugo Black as a member of the Public Relations Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention. The church officials also heard a report by an allocation sub-committee which said that it has received and distributed \$1,491,428.50 among its agencies during the past 11 months. The allocation committee also announced a "vigorous" effort would be made in January and February to further reduce the denomination's indebtedness. More than \$1,750,000 has been paid on it since 1933, the committee reported.

ONE STORY OF ONE LITTLE TRACT

President W. W. Hamilton, B. B. I.
New Orleans, La.

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A group of Baptist Bible Institute students had just closed their witness in song and sermon at Canal and Rampart Streets, and before leaving their assignment gave out some gospel tracts. Among those who accepted a tract called "Which?" was a carpenter who was passing, not having heard the service. He said later that he was tempted to throw the leaflet away, but decided to take it to the home where he was living with a widowed sister.

The tract was read and re-read, and its contents became a matter of great concern. Finally the carpenter said that he remembered the location of a Baptist church near where he had worked and he would go there and seek further help and instruction. As God would have it, the pastor of the Napoleon Avenue Church was there that Friday night, meeting with some workers and some young people.

The carpenter entered the building and his disturbed look led a good Christian woman to ask him if she could do anything for him. Learning of his trouble of soul she took him to the pastor who for more than an hour sought to tell him of Jesus and of repentance and faith and obedience. Finally, while kneeling in prayer, trust and peace came.

The next Sunday morning the carpenter traveled five or six miles across the city to the same church, and there made public confession of his faith and was received for baptism. Thus a little tract, prayerfully given to a passing stranger, may be used of God to win to Christ a soul worth more than all the world put together, and may enlist another Christian worker in winning many to Jesus as Saviour and Lord.

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SOUTHWESTERN CHURCH MUSIC CONFERENCE

E. O. Sellers

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The fifth annual Southwest Church Music Conference was held at the Southwestern Baptist Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, December 13 and 14. The attendance was gratifying and widely representative. Delegations were present from points as far as Albuquerque, New Mexico, and New Orleans, Louisiana.

The program consisted of papers, addresses, roundtable conferences, and demonstrations. Among the speakers were J. D. Riddle, Abilene, Texas; H. A. Zimmerman, Albuquerque, New Mexico; E. L. Carnett, Union City, Tennessee; Kearnie Keegan, Alexandria, Louisiana; J. Herrick Hall, New Orleans, Louisiana; W. E. B. Lockeridge, Ruston, Louisiana; T. C. Gardner, Dallas, Texas; E. O. Sellers, New Orleans, Louisiana; Harry Dixon Loes, Okmulgee, Oklahoma; and state superintendents of public instruction, L. W. Woods, Austin, Texas. Mr. Woods, who is a deacon and son of a Baptist minister, gave the conference much food for thought as he discussed public school music and its relation to the church music program. Mr. Robert Markham, Baylor University, Waco, Texas, gave a well selected and excellently rendered organ recital. A group of five singers from the choir of the First Baptist Church, New Orleans, directed by J. Herrick Hall, presented programs that were enthusiastically received. A memorial was adopted urging that a week be set aside each summer at the Ridgecrest assembly for the consideration of church music.

The conference closed with the seventeenth annual presentation of Handel's Messiah, directed by Prof. I. E. Reynolds. His large chorus and supporting orchestra, piano and pipe organ gave his usual effective and highclass rendering of this immortal composition. The soloists were Mrs. Bernice Skeans, Mrs. I. E. Reynolds, E. L. Carnett and Edwin McNeely.

The conference of 1938 will be held as usual during the week preceding Christmas.

Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union

OUR STATE OFFICERS

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"Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will to men."

May we make room in our hearts this Christmas season for praise and adoration for Him who brought peace and good will to earth. May we help to fill the earth with His glory by our expressions of love and sympathy.

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The following paragraph comes from the West Point W. M. U., telling of their splendid observance of the Week of Prayer:

"Dear Miss Traylor:

"We observed the entire Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions, according to the program mailed to us, having Friday as the all day of prayer. Light lunch was served at the church and it was a very helpful day in every way. W. M. U. collection, \$380.00; Business Women's Circle, \$12.86. Our Orphanage box was valued at \$142.90, with cash contribution for same cause \$33.75. Have not gotten contributions yet from our auxiliaries, but they are all making contribution."

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THE LAST CALL

Mothers do not forget to give your children a Christmas gift that will last all the year. You can do that by giving subscriptions to World Comrades and The Window of Y. W. A. Send in your order immediately so they will not miss the attractive January copies.

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The following article will be appreciated by many Mississippians because Miss Ellis taught at Clarke College last year:

W. M. U. Training School In Argentina Supported Through Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

Miss Martha Thomas Ellis, who this year went to Argentina to direct a W. M. U. Training School for the young women there, writes of the beginning of the school. For several years it has been the hope and dream of Southern W. M. U. to start such a school. It is cared for through the Lottie Moon Christmas offering. Read here what Miss Ellis writes:

"How I wish all of you might see this lovely old place that is ours. It would set you to dreaming of what might be done with it as it does me, I know. The garden is a small park, in itself, and there is plenty of space for all the vegetables that we can use. The building is a beautiful old thing, though it is a bit crumbly in places, was crumbly, I should say, because the money which the W. M. U. gave us has been used to good advantage to make it habitable; and yet there is so much that could be done. I suppose there always is, however, and we are grateful for what we have been able to do already, and are hoping that we can do the others gradually. Dr. Maddry did not exaggerate when he wrote me: 'The campus is one of the most beautiful sights in Argentina. It is magnificently situated.' When the Elders move we will be able to take care of twelve or fourteen, if we have three girls in two of the large rooms. At present we have four boarding students, a Russian girl from Montevideo; a German girl, who is living with her sister out here, (her sister is the wife of one of our finest pastors); two native Argentines who are proud of their native land. They are all lovely girls, worthy of the name of 'Training School Girls,' and worthy of your love, your prayers and your gifts. We are hoping that more of the girls from Buenos Aires and the suburban towns will come in for the classes as time goes on. Won't you pray with us that God will direct the girls that they may be sure that it is His will that they come and

then that the way may be provided for them to come?

"There is so much that needs to be done, yet, to make the school what we want it to be. We do not have the proper equipment for teaching that we need. There are things like maps for Bible and history and a piano for music and the classes in hymnology, sight-singing and chorus, proper tables, chairs and cabinets for girls next year. I am not complaining because we are having to meet classes in the living room this year, I am merely looking forward to the day when a living room table will not accommodate the girls. And I am very grateful for the one rather old piano that we have, but it will not be enough when there are more than four girls who need to practice. Pray for us that these material things may be provided so that we may do the best teaching possible.

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The following letter had enclosed a check for \$128.50, the offering from this college Y. W. A. for the Lottie Moon Week of Prayer:

"Dear Miss Edwina:

"It is with hearts full of joy and thanksgiving to God that we send our offering for Foreign Missions. We believe that this gift of ours will be used of Him to glorify His name and to make the light of the Bethlehem star shine far and wide at this Christmas time. May His spirit and power go with it as it goes from us to those who know Him not.

"We wish for you a very happy Christmas season, and an abundance of His power and presence through a glad new year.

Sincerely,

The Janie Sanford Y. W. A.
Blue Mountain College,
Frances Jeffers, Treasurer,
Virginia Myrick, President."

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Also word comes from Clarke College that the entire day of Friday, Dec. 3rd, was observed as the "Day of Prayer," with some member of the Y. W. A. in the prayer room at all hours. The program was given that night and their offering of \$6.85 was sent. Miss Marcelle Strickland is the efficient president of this Ann Hasseltine Y. W. A. and is leading them in a fine way.

One of the most recent activities of the Y. W. A. at Mississippi Woman's College, Miss Mary Elizabeth Ainsworth, president, is to arrange and furnish a "Prayer Room" on the campus. They too report a splendid observance of the program during the Week of Prayer.

A recent visit to the Baptist Workshop at M. S. C. W. was most heartening! The big problem on a large state school campus is always that of enlistment but a larger percentage of Baptist students are enlisted in the Y. W. A. than ever before and the prospects are bright for an A-1 Y. W. A. on that campus—the first in its history. Miss Lena Pearle Boutwell of Newton is the president.

Other college Y. W. A. presidents are: Hillman, Miss Eline Green, Philadelphia; State Teachers' College, Miss Edith Scott, Tylertown; Jones County Junior College, Miss Mary Frances Edwards; Copiah-Lincoln Junior College, Miss Edith Buckley, Pinola. Good reports have been received of work at each of these colleges.

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I heard about the "Christmas Party" of one of our Y. W. A.'s. They had a lovely Christmas tree but instead of giving each other 10c gifts as they had done in the past, each girl tied her stocking (small red one) on the tree with a dime in it.

This was added to the Lottie Moon offering that had already been received.

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A recent message from one of our girls' at Acadia Baptist Academy:

Dear Miss Robinson:

I haven't written before because Celena is at home ill and I was waiting for her return so we could both write together, but since she hasn't returned I will tell you about our work. Our revival is just over and the Lord has blessed us greatly in the school itself and also in the community. It seems as though they are all fighting to bring their friends to Christ, also to show them of God's love. I ask of your prayers, and also those of the Y. W. A. girls that our school may prosper and be the light of soul winning for Christ.

I again thank you for your kindness and hope to hear from you.

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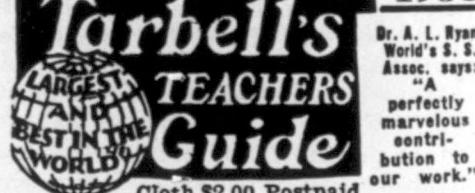
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Imagination required. We quote from a Japanese circular defending Japan's Chinese invasion. "Chinese militarism, backed by Communist Imperialism, struck at Japan. Japan for self-preservation, struck back. That is the naked truth of the Sino-Japanese hostilities." Equally believable would be the statement, "white is black."

We have seen lately how a very few indifferent or vicious officials, or even private interests can prevent the execution of the state laws and interfere with the carrying out of the expressed will of the people. In several counties in Mississippi after people had voted by big majorities against the sale of beer, or in some cases hard liquor, the sales have gone right on. If a sheriff fails in the discharge of his duty, there certainly ought to be some way to remove him. The legislature at its session in January will have a serious responsibility on its hands. We have come to the time when we must decide whether law making and law enforcement shall be left in the hands of the lawless. Gentlemen of the legislature, what do you say?

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EAST MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT

By R. L. BRELAND

Veterans of the Cross

On Nov. 26, 1867, near Trenton, Miss., Daniel W. Moulder was born. His father's father came from Germany and settled in Georgia. The father was born in Georgia but was brought to Mississippi when young. He married a Miss Patterson. Eight children were born to this union, of whom Daniel was the sixth.

The boy Daniel attended the poor country schools of his day, studied reading, spelling and arithmetic but was not permitted to study grammar or geography as his father considered these as useless. His parents were very pious and carried the children to church and instructed them in righteousness. That accounts in a large measure for the fact that Daniel later became one of our best preachers.

Feb. 9, 1888, D. W. Moulder married Miss Una Hawkins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pleas Hawkins, Rev. B. H. Rawls performing the ceremony. Eleven children were born to this family, seven boys and four girls. One son is Rev. C. S. Moulder. His children are all Baptists and respected citizens.

Brother Moulder was convicted of sin when eight years old but did not confess Christ until he was 20. August, 1888, at Goodwater Baptist Church, he confessed his Lord and was baptized by Rev. L. J. Caughman. July 4, 1896, he was licensed to preach by Goodwater Baptist Church, Smith County. He at once began to be active in the ministry, preaching at every opportunity, and he has kept it up for these 41 years.

He was ordained to the full work of the gospel ministry by Goodwater Baptist Church June 6, 1897, forty years ago last June. The following ministers composed the presbytery: J. A. Hitt, G. W. Rainer, L. J. Caughman, H. F. Husbands, C. J. Tullos and N. W. Westbrook. His first pastorate consisted of Good Hope, High Hill, Sylvan Grove and Clear Springs. Since that first year

he has served from four to eleven churches each year. He has been one of the busiest pastors that we have ever had.

Recently he gave a summary of his work in the Baptist Record which you can re-read with profit. He is still hale and hearty at the age of 70 years. His good wife still lives and has shared his worthy work all these years. When "The Roll is Called Up Yonder" these faithful servants of God will have many "stars in their crown." All south Mississippi knows brother Moulder, for he has preached in nearly every county there, and he is loved, depended on and honored as no other man living. May the Lord give him many useful years still.

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It is my privilege to possess a complete file of the Raleigh Baptist published by Rev. E. C. Crawford of Raleigh, Miss. The Vol. I, No. 1, March 1, 1927, to Vol. I, No. 40, of January 11, 1928, I have the complete file. I believe that Vol. I, No. 40, was the last issue. These volumes are very interesting. In them I find "My Life Story," from which I took the above data, by D. W. Moulder; "Reminiscence," by J. P. Williams; "Baptist History in Mississippi," by J. L. Boyd, and much other valuable information. I purpose to place these volumes in the historical collection of the Mississippi Historical Society, and hope they will be bound.

Letters from brother B. E. Turner and from Miss Lucile Johnson of Coldwater Baptist Church, Neshoba County, tell that Rev. Laney of Clarke College preached a good sermon at Coldwater the second Sunday. Sorry that brother Turner has been sick, but glad that he is improving. He is one of our best men.

Rev. T. J. Smith recently went from Vandalia, Mo., to California, Mo. He says: "This town is not much larger than Vandalia but we have a stronger church. We have a beautiful church building which is equipped for about 450 in Sunday school. Our budget calls for \$100 per week."

Pastor C. L. Breland, of First Baptist Church, Richmond, Ky., says: "We have closed our meeting with Dr. J. R. Jester, evangelist, and I baptized 36 converts last night. Dr. Jester is a good preacher and a faithful minister of the word."

Brother John A. Farmer, from the State Sunday School department, conducted a study course at Tillatoba Baptist Church recently. He seemed encouraged by the interest manifested by the church leaders, expecting the school to be standard within a year. Some faithful workers at Tillatoba. This church has put the Baptist Record in the budget for 1938 again.

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Smith—"Don't you enjoy listening to the honk of a wild goose?"

Jones—"Not when he's driving an automobile."

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"Tommy," said his mother, "be sure to come in early this afternoon to get your bath before going to the Browns' for supper."

"But mother," he protested, "I don't need a bath for that. They said it was to be most informal."

TRY DAN HITT'S WAY



Above is pictured the likeness of Dan Hitt, Jr., of Vicksburg. Dan is a member of the First Baptist Church and is also our super-Baptist Record salesman.

Dan started by ordering ten copies of the Record and selling them to Vicksburg Baptists. His next order was for 15 and he is now getting 55 copies each week, thus making good spending money besides causing 55 Vicksburg families to be better informed Baptists, thus inspiring some of them to do more.

Other boys or girls could do as Dan does. Write the Baptist Record for particulars.

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RESCUE MISSION OVERRUN WITH NEEDY

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The Rescue Mission is overflowing beyond our ability to properly care for the people. In November we had 91 professions of faith, ahead of any previous November, and this month now bids fair to exceed that number. Our hundred and twenty beds are far short of the nightly demands on us. We are having from 60 to 90 men lying on the floor of our chapel night after night. One hundred and ninety men were fed yesterday and last night. You see our task and our opportunity. It is quite too big for us unaided but not too big for the friends of this work.

I have just received a young woman from Mississippi to care for in our home for unfortunate women for the next few months. It has been a long time since we did not have on hand a number of these unwedded expectant mothers. Six different states have sent such to us and an application has come from another state.

J. W. Newbrough

New Orleans, La.

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B. T. U. ATTENDANCE DEC. 19

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Jackson, Calvary Church	190
Jackson, Grif. Mem. Church	280
Jackson, Davis Mem. Church	85
Jackson, Parkway Church	60
Jackson, Northside Church	45
Laurel, West Laurel Church	203
Brookhaven, First Church	175
Philadelphia Church	309
Meridian, 15th Ave. Church	62
Clarksdale Church	151
Crystal Springs Church	158
Vicksburg, First Church	102

Newton Church	120
Utica Church	64
Springfield Church	53
Indianola Church (12/12/87)	100

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BAPTIST BROTHERHOOD

ATTENDANCE DEC. 19

Laurel, First Church	30
Laurel, West Laurel Church	41
Laurel, 2nd Ave. Church	15

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TWO NOBLE MEN GONE

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Last Sunday, Dec. 12th, in the morning at White Oak we buried Henry Everett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tate Everett. He was 40 years old. He had been a barber in Jackson for several years. I baptized him at White Oak on July 19. He was a good man; had many friends. Great crowd at his funeral; many from Jackson, and about as many flowers as I ever saw at a burying. Dr. Lipsey and Dr. Hall held services in the home.

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In the afternoon Albert Husbands was buried at Lorena church. He was 77 years old, married 52 years ago to Miss Aminitus Hawkins. To them were born 12 children, all living! 26 grandchildren; 4 great grandchildren; all living. He joined the Baptist church at Goodwater in 1888, moved to Lorena church one year ago. He was one of our best church members, and one of our best citizens. People at his funeral by the hundreds; seven preachers, Dr. Wood, Forest; E. B. Shivers, Raleigh; E. G. Henderson, Lorena; R. O. Buckley, Shivers; Preacher Nelson, Robert Harden and myself.

D. W. Moulder

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NEWTON

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We observed White Christmas with gifts to be distributed to the needy. Pledges continue to come in, and we will be able to care for our increased budget. I will send shortly the list of members to receive the Baptist Record beginning Jan. 1st.

B. T. U. Director John W. Wills and a group gave Henry Van Dykes' "The Christmas Angel," at the general assembly in a very impressive way.

R. A. Morris.

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We're mad at fortune-tellers. One told us we would receive several interesting letters, and we rushed home and were served alphabet soup.

NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS

Many people have a custom of making New Year resolutions and it is a good time now for the officers of every church to form a resolution that their church must be adequately protected against loss by fire. Write Southern Mutual Church Insurance Company, Columbia, S. C.

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For Dec. 26, 1937
CHRISTIAN CONSECRATION
Mark 1:16-20; Philippians 1

Outstanding examples of Christian consecration were the four Galilean fishermen who at the call of Christ left their boats and business in order to follow him in service and suffering.

By Paul from Rome during the first imprisonment there a message of Christian consecration was sent to the beloved Philippians who were the first fruits of the Apostle's ministry on the continent of Europe.

Lesson Text and Outline

Philippians 1:12-26

I. Cost of Consecration

12 Now I would have you know, brethren, that the things which happened unto me have fallen out rather unto the progress of the gospel:

II. Contacts of Consecration

13 So that my bonds became manifest in Christ throughout the whole praetorian guard, and to all the rest; 14 and that most of the brethren in the Lord being confident through my bonds, are more abundantly bold to speak the word of God without fear.

III. Challenge of Consecration

15 Some indeed preach Christ even of envy and strife; and some also of good will: 16 the one do it of love, knowing that I am set for the defence of the gospel; 17 but the other proclaim Christ of faction, not sincerely, thinking to raise up affliction for me in my bonds.

IV. Confidence of Consecration

18 What they? only that in every way, whether in pretence or in truth, Christ is proclaimed; and therein I rejoice, yea, and will rejoice. 19 For I know that this shall turn out to my salvation, through your supplication and the supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ.

V. Courage of Consecration

20 According to my earnest expectation and hope, that in nothing shall I be put to shame, but that with all boldness, as always, so now also Christ shall be magnified in my body whether by life, or by death.

VI. Crown of Consecration

21 For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. 22 But if to live in the flesh—if this shall bring fruit from my work, then what I shall choose I know not. 23 But I am in a strait betwixt the two, having the desire to depart and be with Christ; for it is very far better:

VII. Comradeship of Consecration

24 Yet to abide in the flesh is more needful for your sake. 25 And having this confidence, I know that I shall abide, yea, and abide with you all, for your progress and joy in the faith; 26 that your glorying may abound in Christ Jesus in me

through my presence with you again.

Notes Analytical and Expository

1. Further the Gospel of Christ at Whatever Cost. The price of progress is often great but we can afford to foot any cost to further the cause of Christ. Paul writes from rich experience.

(1) Happening to Paul. The Apostle was a prisoner at Rome. He had been granted appeal to Caesar from the province of Palestine. He was now awaiting his call into court. Was it not a disgrace to be an imperial prisoner?

(2) Hindrance intended. The only charge against the Apostle was his advocacy of Jesus Christ as the world's Saviour and Lord. His imprisonment was intended as a hindrance of the gospel. To stop his ministry they thought would be to stop his gospel. But was that the result?

(3) Help extended. As a matter of fact, the progress of the gospel was helped rather than hindered. The fire was not put out but kindled. Opposition became opportunity. The stone intended for stumbling became a stepping-stone to greater advance and achievement.

2. Make Every Contact Count for Christ. Did Paul ignore sailors and crew on the voyage to Rome? Did he keep aloof from the islanders of Malta? And during the two years of his first imprisonment at Rome what was his attitude toward soldier and civilian, pagan and Christian? He made every contact count for Christ.

(1) Ministry to the Imperial Guard. The entire body of ten thousand soldiers constituting the Imperial Guard may have been included here; or they may have been reached through the soldiers detailed to guard the Apostle; and court officials and many others were in "Caesar's household." At any rate, "throughout the whole Praetorian Guard and among all the others it has become plain that the chains of mine are for the sake of Christ" (Moffatt).

(2) Ministry Through the Roman Brethren. Christians at Rome of course visited Paul and attended his ministry and saw his widening influence in and around the palace. So "the greater part of the brethren, made confident in the Lord through my imprisonment, now declare God's word without fear, more boldly than ever" (Weymouth).

3. Face with Calm Any Criticism Incurred for Christ. Faithful witnessing for Christ is often censured, especially if one has been victimized and incriminated for his faith. Here are two aspects of the problem:

(1) Preaching Christ from Ill-will. Some at Rome actually preached the gospel but they did it with mixed and malicious motives. Their preaching marked by envy or jealousy, possibly because Paul in chains won recognition over local church leaders. Their preaching was therefore contentious, arousing rivalry, and promoting partisanship. They were insincere. They sought to annoy and embitter the Apostle because of his bonds and as he lay in prison. What about such a ministry?

(2) Preaching Christ from Good-

will. Others around the Apostle preached the gospel from goodwill because they loved Paul and they knew that he was imprisoned for the faith and that even there he was set for the defense of the gospel. Their ministry was sincere and successful.

4. Rejoice That Christ Will Make His Gospel Effective. It is not the preacher nor the hearer but the gospel that is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth. Here is reason for rejoicing as Paul did on three grounds:

(1) Gospel by the Preachers. They were not hypocrites though insincere; nor heretics; but jealous, partisan, factious. What they preached was the gospel, though perversely or in pretense. Paul was glad that Christ was being made known.

(2) Blessings to the People. Those who hear the gospel, whether given honestly or for ulterior end, may accept it and act on it and be saved.

(3) Benefit to Paul. The proclamation of Christ in Rome would be favorable to Paul's spiritual welfare through the prayers of the Philippians and the help of the Spirit of Jesus Christ. There might also be a legal benefit as brought out in one rendering of the verse: "The outcome of all this will be my release" (Moffatt).

5. Glorify Christ Whether by Life or by Death. Whether Paul would come out of prison to be set at liberty or to be executed he would glorify Christ.

(1) Hope. Paul had keen and eager expectation and a lovely hope that he should never have reason to be ashamed as a servant of Christ.

He could think of no deeper disgrace.

(2) Courage. Hitherto Paul had shown fearless courage; it must be unfailing now and always. There is never a moment when the Christian warrior should falter.

(3) Service. To magnify Christ in his body was Paul's constant aim; and he exercised freedom of speech to do so and desired liberty for a wider ministry.

(4) Sacrifice. What would not Paul do or give to glorify God? Anything and everything, "whether by life, or by death."

6. Expect the Crown from Christ Here and Hereafter. Christian consecration has its rich reward both in this life and in that which is to come.

(1) The Christian's Life. "To live is Christ." He animates, indwells, outworks; it is he that lives in us and we live in him. He is our life.

(2) The Christian's Death. "To die is gain." There is greater nearness to Christ, more likeness to Christ, sweeter joy in Christ. To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord.

(3) The Christian's Dilemma. Paul the prisoner was perplexed. He was in a quandary. He desired to depart or break camp, even though by execution, and be with Christ;

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THE PLACE AND THE VALUE OF REVIVALS

By Selsus E. Tull, Evangelist
Hazlehurst, Miss.

I gave up the pastorate last July, 1937, after a record of more than 30 years in that office to give my time entirely to evangelism. I promised several of our editors when I entered this work that I would give them some articles on the subject of Evangelism. But, I have been so continuously busy in the work that I have not before gotten to the writing business.

Another thing I desired before writing on the subject was that I might have behind me some real experience as an "evangelist" in confirmation of certain convictions which led me to enter exclusively into this field of New Testament work. Being at home now for the holidays after seven consecutive revivals in representative churches in four different states, I find my previous convictions confirmed and established as to the place and value of revivals in the churches, and especially in this stressful and distracted day and time.

Revivals are a BIBLE institution, and not a distinctly New Testament practice. The place for great get-together days were established as "ordinances" among the people of Old Testament times. God took care to fix such seasons in the practices of His chosen nation. Besides the Sabbath as a day of national worship, there were great convocations set for all the people, like the Passover, for them to observe annually, and "for all generations." Beyond these fixed observances, we often find in the Old Testament where prophets and other leaders were sent to call the people back to God and to a re-newed dedication of themselves to the worship of Jehovah. Great abuses were corrected, and grand reforms promoted in Old Testament days through movements not at all un-like the accounts of revivals in the New Testament.

Why these established gatherings of the people in the Old Testament, and why these needed movements for reformation unless in the very genius of the Divine dealings with men, God saw the place a great revival would fill in awakening and directing the religious life of the people?

When you step over into the New Testament, you find the record of one great revival after another. The whole history of the ministry of Jesus himself, as He journeyed back and forth from Galilee to Judea, was a record of his preaching to and teaching the "multitudes." Even the story of the preaching of John the Baptist was little different from the account of a mighty revival.

After Jesus ascended to Glory, and the Spirit came to take charge of the activities of the apostles, we have the immediate story of Pentecost, the "Acts" of the apostles is the record of one great revival following another. "They were scattered abroad, went everywhere (holding revivals) preaching the Gospel." Phillip in Samaria, Peter at Caesarea, Barnabas at Antioch,

Paul at Ephesus, Corinth, and countless other places. These records show the plan of the Spirit in challenging the public attention, converting the multitudes, establishing churches, inspiring Christians, and in setting up the standards of Christianity as a power among men!

Not only as a practice, but as doctrine, evangelism is fundamental in New Testament teaching. The office of "evangelist" is as clearly set out in the Scriptures as the office of pastor. The true pastor himself must "do the work of an evangelist" if he makes "full proof" of his ministry. Indeed the most ideal New Testament pastor today is the man who continually holds up the spirit of evangelism, and who is the "overseer" of a great evangelistic church.

Yet, the ideal of a "perennial" revival is not by any means true to fact in the churches. Too many other duties are imposed upon the pastor. Too many other things fill the mind of the people. Times come in the life of the best churches when a great revival is needed to reach the lost and to re-kindle spiritual fervor in the churches, and to re-establish Christian standards in the public mind.

Revivals can often do more in a few days in stirring the souls of church members, and in saving lost people, than all the constituted organizations of the church have done in twelve months. Thus, it often happens that more people are baptized in one revival than come into the church through all other agencies in twelve months. A careful census of all Baptist church members who now compose our churches will show that ninety-five per cent of them were converted or were first awakened through a revival.

These facts show the place and the value of Scriptural revivals. These significant considerations can never be displaced by any substitute. In the Divine purpose, there is nothing that can do in and for the churches what can be accomplished in a revival.

I hope to write some other articles about revivals. I want the opportunity to pay my respects to some attempted modern substitutes for Scriptural revivals. I want, also, to write about some modern obstructions to Scriptural revivals. This I will do later, but I close this article with the statement of one profound conviction that possesses me, which is, that all Scriptural evangelism, and, therefore, all evangelism which accomplishes Scriptural and lasting results, MUST be conducted under CHURCH auspices, and under pastoral direction.

I am now giving myself exclusively to evangelism, but it is my deliberate purpose to hold no revivals except by the invitation of pastors and churches unless it were in some purely destitute place where no church exists, and even then, I would feel that I were operating under authority of the Baptist Church of Hazlehurst, Mississippi, where I hold my membership.

Churches should never defer a revival on account of the supposed "cost." The cost of the right sort of a revival always helps and never hinders other church financial plans.

A revival is one phase of church work which always pays its own way and never leaves a deficit. It is both the easiest and the best invested money a church ever raises. For this reason, and for values greater than all other considerations, the churches ought to have revivals often enough to keep down the appearance of any type of spiritual disintegration in their own forces, and to maintain a conquering and militant spirit of soul-winning among their membership.

—BR—
W. A. CLEMENT

Another Epaphroditus, in the person of W. A. (Bill) Clement, has gone to his reward. Brother Clement was born in County Line (Copiah County) community July 13, 1866, and spent most of his life there. Besides proving a good Christian citizen and helpful neighbor, he served his community officially for fifteen years as trustee of its consolidated school.

On December 6, 1900, he was married to Miss Nora Osborn. Five children, one son and four daughters, were born to this happy union and, with the fine cooperation of his good wife, he served these well in providing them with a Christian home, fine ideals and a substantial literary education. True to the faith of their parents, the children are serving their day and generation well, either in positions of public trust or as queens in the home.

Early in life, he was converted, united with County Line Baptist Church and dedicated his life to the Master's service. He served his church as deacon, superintendent, and teacher of the Men's Bible class.

A peculiar affliction, affecting his lungs and later involving his heart, made him a sufferer and a shut-in for more than a year; but the grace that was sufficient for him amid his many activities brought solace, patience and increasing faith to him amid his months of affliction. Comforting and re-assuring his distressed loved ones, in his closing hours, with expressions of readiness, lack of fear and joyous contemplation, he passed to his reward November 29, 1937.

He was a good citizen, a true husband, a devoted father and his pastor might well say of him, "My brother and fellow-worker and fellow-soldier and your messenger and master to my need. Phil. 2:25b.

To his brothers and sisters, his devoted companion, and his fine children I commend the grace that was his sufficiency in service and suffering and the Holy Spirit who guided him to life's finest victories. His neighbors and friends, I chal-

lenge to finer and better service and life in order to supply the lack caused by his going from their midst.

Bryan Simmons

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A VERY SUCCESSFUL TRAINING COURSE AT UTICA

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All but five of the twenty-six officers and teachers of the Utica Baptist Church were enrolled, took the examination, and received awards, in the training courses taught at Utica December 5-12. It was an unusually good week's work under the wise and capable Christian leadership of brother Owen Williams. All but one of the Cradle Roll and Beginner workers, all of the Primary workers, all but one of the Junior workers, and all but one of the Intermediate workers, received awards for work in their department book. This record splendidly speaks for itself.

Utica is one of the 20 Sunday schools in Mississippi that has attained the Standard of Excellence. It is efficiently organized under the capable leadership of Mr. B. T. ("Baptist Training") Roberts. It is departmentized throughout with two of the departments almost ready to apply for their department standards. They have a good, systematic monthly visitation day, which has caused the Sunday school to reach practically ALL their possibilities.

This was about the coldest week we have experienced in a long time, and brother Williams says that possibly accounts for the five not taking the study course! It was a week of good, uplifting fellowship with God's own anointed.



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Calotabs are quite economical; only twenty-five cents for the family package, ten cents for the trial package. (Adv.)

Thursday, December 23, 1937

The Children's Circle

MRS. P. I. LIPSEY

My dear children:

If I were a betting person, I'd bet that I could guess what every one of you is thinking about—and I wouldn't need but one guess either. Christmas! Now, wasn't I right? Maybe you already have most of your gifts wrapped and ready to present to the ones you love. Wrapped in pretty holly paper, or bright red, or snowy white, and tied with tinsel ribbon or something else just as pretty and gay. Aren't there a heap of ways to make Christmas presents look interesting and mysterious? And do you have a Christmas tree? I have. My son brought me one—the prettiest thing you ever saw when it was all trimmed—except perhaps your own.

While we are so absorbed in these happy preparations, there's one thing I hope none of us will forget. I know we won't forget our fathers or mothers or brothers or sisters or dear friends and schoolmates. I know we won't forget any of these, so I'm not thinking about reminding anyone of them. But I do hope we won't forget to try to make Christmas a happier time for some one who might not have as much to make them happy as we have. I mean some one outside of our family or the circle of friends that we usually give presents to and receive presents from. Sometimes we don't have to look very far to find some one, maybe the cook's little girl or boy, or some lonely old lady, or some children whose daddy hasn't had regular work, or—but you see what I mean. You'll find some one I'm sure who isn't as fortunate as you, and you'll share some of your Christmas happiness with them, won't you? If you haven't tried this and will try it this time, I believe you'll make this Christmas the very gladdest you ever had.

And now for our letters. We have several. We are glad because they are what make our page interesting—these letters from you.

Mary Ruth Denson writes and sends three dollars and fifteen cents. I think Mary Ruth must be a very conscientious little girl. (If you don't know the meaning of that rather long word, I'll tell you this much, it's a mighty good way to be.) She is so very careful about the things for which she feels responsible.

Our faithful Mrs. Friend from Clarksdale is here on the dot too. Isn't it fine to have some one on whom you can absolutely depend?

Billie Burt sends a short note, but very much to the point. The money has already gone as you requested, Billie, and we are happy to use it that way. With your consent we are counting it under the Ernest Clark memorial. I believe you would like for us to, wouldn't you?

Such an interesting letter comes from Lura Clark in Kentucky where it is even colder than it has been here. The dollar she encloses is also interesting. And I wish all of the Children Circle members could see the snapshot of herself that she sent me. If I were sure that she wouldn't see this, I'd tell you I thought it was sweet.

Douglas McDonald sends his contribution to the Ernest Clark memorial. I know he is glad that we have passed the goal that we set for this memorial.

Mrs. M. G. Austin comes with her club dues and good wishes for which we are truly grateful.

Last but not least, we have a beautiful letter from our Miss Mixon. I know you'll enjoy reading it. But I must not close my letter without wishing for you all "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

With love,
Mrs. Lipsey.

Bay Springs, Miss.,
Dec. 6, 1937

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

I am sorry to be late. I have enclosed three dollars, two dollars for November and December dues and one dollar of my own for the Ernest Clark memorial.

Hope you are well again and will enjoy Christmas, for it will soon be here. I am hoping Santa will get all around this year. We are drawing names and will have a Christmas tree in our room. I want to explain about our B. Y. P. U. It seems that the newcomers didn't know about our J. L. Club, so they didn't get in their November dues. I am to write the letters, but know I can't as well as Ernestine. She was promoted. I am enclosing fifteen cents for November and hope to get more by next meeting. We lost so many members until there aren't but about eight, so I think our leader is good to even bother at all. I think the Juniors would like for the fifteen cents to go on the Ernest Clark memorial. I haven't asked them but am sure they would. I will try to get in the dues for December right away. Could you give me the number of our B. Y. P. U. club? It seems no one can tell me.

Love,

Mary Ruth Denson.

Mary Ruth, that idea of drawing names for the Christmas tree must be fun. I heard of some grown folks doing it. The number of your B. Y. P. U. club is eighteen (18). Thank you for your help.

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Clarksdale, Miss.,
Dec. 7, 1937.Orphanage \$2.00
B. B. I. \$1.00

J. L. Club No. 4,

Friend

Thanks to our J. L. Club, number four, and to our faithful Friend.

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Hattiesburg, Miss.,
Route 6.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

I am sending \$2.00. I want the B. B. I. girl to have one and the orphans to have the other.

Hope all of you have a good Christmas.

Your friend,

Billie Burt

Thank you for your good help and your good wishes, and the same to you, Billy.

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Anco, Ky.,
Dec. 12, 1937

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

The snow lies all over the ground here, and the temperature is 4°. It is so cold walking home from school, and besides that, I slip on the ice and fall every few steps. Many of the boys and girls have fun skating on the ice, but I dare not try it!

It seems only a short time since last Christmas, and yet the holiday season will soon be here again.

In the high school I attend there are two teachers who are Catholics, one who is a Baptist, and the rest make no profession of religion. Of course, their attitude does not react favorably on the student body, so the favorite place of amusement is the nearby dance hall.

Ernest Clark's letters will be missed from the page, but his influence will live on.

We were so grieved to learn of the death of our old friend, Mr. Clement, of Terry, Miss.

Enclosed is \$1.00 (one dollar).

With best wishes,

Lura Clark.

I know the snow is beautiful. But be very careful when you fall and don't break any bones. Thank you for your offering.

Terry, Miss.,
Dec. 14, 1937.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

It has been very long since I wrote you. I am sending 12 cents to the memorial of Ernest Clark. I will try to send more next time.

We are going to have a Christmas program at our school. I will close.

Sincerely,
Douglas McDonald

We are glad you wanted a part in the Ernest Clark memorial. Thank you. I'm sure that your Christmas program is going to be good too. You didn't tell us what part you are to have. Are you Santa Claus or one of his little brownies?

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Taylor, Miss.,
Dec. 15, 1937.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

Am sending one dollar, dues for Jeannie Lipsey Club No. 8 for December 1937.

Hoping you best of success,
With love,

Mrs. M. G. Austin

Our thanks to you for the club dues, Mrs. Austin, and we are hoping you'll have a happy Christmas.

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New Orleans, La.,
Dec. 14, 1937.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

Merry Christmas and a happy New Year to the Children's Circle!

As the Christmas season draws near, the thought of Christ as the Prince of Peace to all nations comes to my mind with a new meaning. Here at B. B. I. there are five nationalities of people represented and yet we are all one people in Christ.

Did you read the story about Esther Sawtrom or "Indian" in last week's Record? She is only one of the five races with us. Interesting are the facts about our Chinese friends, Misses Moonbeam Tong and Pauline Cheung. They are far, far away from home where the battles of war are fiercely raging.

The war in China had already begun when Moonbeam and Pauline set sail for America in August. Yet they were willing to leave those whom they loved behind and come to B. B. I. in order to be better fitted for the Master's work. Their families in China are not out of reach from outward harm and danger, but they are looking to Jesus for protection. He to them is the real Prince of Peace because someone told them the story of the Christ child years ago.

These of whom I have written have told the sweet story to others but their prayers, such as are Esther's prayers, are that many will catch a vision of the great needs of their people and help proclaim His name throughout the world. This, to me, is the real Christmas spirit: That, as Christ has given us life, so may we help others to find the "Way of Life."

Best wishes for everyone,
Mildred Mixon

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Ernest Clark Memorial Financial Report for November and December

Mrs. E. Laird and friends.....	\$ 6.40
Mrs. Lipsey	5.00
M. and F. M. Henley	1.00
Rose Russell50
John C. Lipsey25
Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Clark	1.00
Julia Frances Steele50
F. M. Henley (from church)....	2.50
Bobbie Powell	1.00
Mary A. Milam and Charlotte Dickey	1.00
Mrs. C. S. Winn	1.00
Mrs. Regina Huffstatter50
Bay Springs Jr. B.Y.P.U.15
Mary Ruth Denson	1.00
John and J. Lipsey	2.00
Billie Burt	2.00
Douglas McDonald12

Anonymous (to be used for orphanage building fund) ... 25.00
Total \$50.92

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Jeannie Lipsey Clubs

Club No. 16,	
Beryline Stuckey, leader40
Club No. 20,	
Ruby Fay Haire, leader	2.00
Club No. 1,	
Fannie M. Henley, leader	1.00
Club No. 11,	
Mary R. Denson, leader	2.00
Club No. 9,	
Mary A. Milam, leader	5.00
Club No. 3,	
Lura Clark, leader	1.00

Total	\$11.40
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Quarter-to-Two Clubs	
Omega Hembree	\$ 1.00
Mrs. W. W. Taylor25
Mary Frances Head25
Margaret Henley25

Total	\$ 1.75
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Birthday Offerings	
Anonymous	\$ 1.00
Mrs. B. R. Clark58
Mrs. E. O. Weathersby57

Total	\$ 2.15
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Special Gifts to B. B. I. Scholarship	
"Mrs. Friend" (J. L. C. 4)....	\$ 1.00
"Mrs. Friend" (J. L. C. 4)....	1.00
Mary Adelyn Milam	5.00

Total	\$ 7.00
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Special Gifts to Orphanage	
"Mrs. Friend" (J. L. C. 4)....	\$ 2.00
"Mrs. Friend" (J. L. C. 4)....	2.00
Jas. E. and Elizabeth Ross	5.00
Miss Corda May Simpson for Macedonia church	5.35

Total	\$14.35
Grand total of all gifts	\$87.57

Amt. mailed to Baptist Orphanage	\$60.53
Amt. mailed for B. B. I. scholarship	27.04

Total amount dispersed	\$87.57
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S. S. ATTENDANCE DEC. 19, 1937	
Jackson, First Church	1,034
Jackson, Calvary Church	953
Jackson, Grif. Mem. Church	670
Jackson, Davis Mem. Church	219
Jackson, Parkway Church	180
Jackson, Northside Church	123
Laurel, First Church	462
Laurel, West Laurel Church	509
Laurel, 2nd Ave. Church	253
Laurel, South Laurel Church	75
Brookhaven, First Church	482
Philadelphia Church	337
Meridian, 15th Ave. Church	343
Clarksdale Church	374
Crystal Springs Church	309
Vicksburg, First Church	380
Newton Church	277
Utica Church	159
Springfield Church	152
Indianola Church (12/12/37)	142
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"Why is a shipload of bananas like gasoline?"	
"I cannot guess. You tell me."	
"Because they make a cargo!"	

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Baptist Training Union

Aim—Training in Church Membership

AUBER J. WILDS, General Secretary

OXFORD, MISS.

JACKSON, MISS.

"May the real true
Christmas spirit
Of peace,
Good will to men
Be yours today
And every day
'Till Christmas
Comes again."

Dear friends of Training Union: At this happy season when we are all reminded anew of the wonderful love of the Master, our hearts respond again in a prayer of thanksgiving for friends like you. You have been true friends all along and especially during this year that fast comes to a close. It has been good to work with you in the great program of enlistment and training. Our blessings have been many. New interests have been kindled. New aims have been set and achieved. New ideals have been born in the hearts of thousands of our young people, and Christ's kingdom has been advanced. How much, we will perhaps never know, but be assured that no effort in His name goes without good results. Now as we think of Him who has made Christmas possible, may we not pledge anew our allegiance to Him, invest all of our spiritual assets with him for the coming year, and work with him in making these assets yield the largest possible dividend. You have true riches that fade not away.

In His name,

Fraternally yours,
Auber J. Wilds.

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Our Calendar for 1938

Theme: We are His Witnesses.

Scripture: Ye are witnesses of these things (Luke 24:48). But ye shall receive power, when the Holy Spirit is come upon you: and ye shall be my witness both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea and Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth (Acts 1:8).

Aim: To lead every member to be a more vital witness for Christ in daily Christian living, in personal work with the lost, and in devoted service to Christ in his church in all its local and worldwide ministries.

Song: "I Love to Tell the Story."

January:

Theme: Each disciple His witness.

Scripture: For thou shalt be a witness for him unto all men of what thou hast seen and heard (Acts 22:15).

What to do: 1. Lead every member to make a self examination to determine to what extent he has had religious experiences worth telling. 2. Follow the Standard of Excellence to train better witnesses. 3. Enlist each member in personal witnessing to the lost.

Calendars are ready for distribution. If your union wants one please drop us a card. This is a calendar of activities. Each month has its theme and scripture and suggestion

of activity for the union. Plan the activities of your union in keeping with these Southwide suggestions.

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What Pastors Say About the B.A.U.

Rev. R. A. Morris, Newton: "The B. A. U. makes two worthwhile contributions. One is affording needed training for older members. Some men and women of our church are now developing rapidly. Then it serves as a balance wheel for our training work. A good B. A. U. means a good B. Y. P. U. The presence of the older members impress our young people that the union is worthwhile."

Rev. A. W. Talbert, Jackson: "The B. A. U. is a means of enlistment. Children now follow their parents to the Training Union. It is reaching men who have never taken an active part in church life. It is a great Spiritual Drive. It is doing more than merely training adults, it is helping them to grow in spirit. In three country churches I pastor I find the adult union an asset in reaching and utilizing the church constituency."

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Why not add a Story Hour to your Training Union? A splendid quarterly, "The Story Hour Leader," is available for the leader of this group and what a joy it is to know that this additional emphasis for righteousness is being given to our children. Start yours the first Sunday in January.

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Crystal Springs Adds Forty Members in Month to Training Union

Crystal Springs, under the leadership of a new pastor and a new director, adds forty new members to their Training Union during the month of October. Rev. A. B. Pierce is pastor and Mrs. Cecil Pritchard is director. We congratulate both church and leaders in this successful program of enlistment. They are carrying on a good program of training also. Enlistment must come before training can be given, and enlistment after all is a part of the training the Union gives its members who are willing to assume responsibility of office or committee.

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And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me. John 12:32.

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MRS. PENNIE E. SUMRALL
At the home of her daughter, Mrs. Frank Walter of Lake, Miss., Mrs. Pennie E. Sumrall passed to her reward on Nov. 25, 1937.

Mrs. Sumrall had passed her 85th birthday, and for a number of years had been awaiting the summons home.

Wife of the late Rev. E. W. Sumrall for more than sixty years, her life, like his, was one of usefulness and beauty. Truly it was a privilege

to visit their home and to be blessed with their friendship; theirs was a real home.

Mrs. Sumrall leaves seven children to mourn her going: Mrs. J. W. Fikes, Mrs. C. G. Hellen, Mrs. Frank Walter, and E. E. Sumrall of Lake, Miss., W. T. Sumrall, Roberts, Miss., J. J. Sumrall, Attoyas, Texas, and F. M. Sumrall, Lawrence, Miss.; also eighteen grand children and nineteen great grandchildren.

She was laid to rest by the side of her husband in Rundall Hill Cemetery, her grandsons serving as Pallbearers.

Services were conducted by H. H. Bethune, assisted by Rev. L. D. Bassett, and Rev. L. G. Bassett.

She was a genuine Christian mother and friend.

H. H. Bethune

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MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, S. B. C.

By Walter Gilmore

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The meeting of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention in Nashville December 15 was thoroughly harmonious and forward looking. The various reports revealed substantial progress. President Frank Tripp, St. Joseph, Mo., presided.

During the first eleven months of 1937, the committee received and distributed \$1,491,428.50, a gain of \$150,029.40 over the same period in 1936. Included in this amount is \$178,759.85 received through the Hundred Thousand Club for the liquidation of the debts on our Southwide agencies and institutions. The receipts for December will swell these figures considerably for the year.

The special committee on allocations, headed by Dr. Chas. W. Daniel, El Dorado, Ark., recommended the present ratio of division of Co-operative program funds for 1939, with the exception that the Bible Institute will receive 4.2%, the same as the Southern and Southwestern Seminaries. This was made possible by taking .2% from the allocation to the Baptist Hospital in New Orleans. Of course these allocations are subject to the approval of the Southern Baptist Convention in Richmond next May. The allocation of funds from the Hundred Thousand Club for 1938 will remain the same as for 1937, except the .2% the American Baptist Theological Seminary (Negro) has been receiving will go to the Home Board, making its total 29.7%, the debt on the Negro Seminary having been paid.

New Auditorium at Ridgecrest

It has been quite apparent in recent years that the auditorium at Ridgecrest is wholly inadequate, not more than one third of those in attendance on many conferences being able to get inside. So the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, which owns the Ridgecrest property, and the Baptist Sunday School Board, which has been operating the summer assembly at Ridgecrest for several years, have entered into an agreement whereby the Sunday School Board will begin at once the construction of an auditorium at Ridgecrest to be ready for use by the meeting of the first

conference June 9, 1938. The auditorium, which will seat 2,550, will be provided with adequate committee and class rooms. The cost is not to exceed \$60,000.00, which will be taken care of by the profits from the assembly accruing through the years.

New Elementary Secretary

The Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention which met in Nashville December 16th, elected Andrew Allen as secretary of the Elementary department of the board, succeeding Miss Mattie Leatherwood, who has been the head of this department since the retirement a year ago of Miss Lillian Forbes. Both of these ladies have rendered an outstanding service in this department and Miss Leatherwood will continue as first associate secretary.

Mr. Allen, who is a native of Petersburg, Texas, is thought to be peculiarly well fitted for his new position, being a graduate of West Texas Teachers' College, Texas University and the Southwestern Seminary. For the past two years he has done a fine job as State Sunday school secretary and Brotherhood leader of the Tennessee Baptist Convention, succeeding the lamented W. D. Hudgins. Before coming to Nashville Mr. Allen had served as assistant Sunday school secretary in Texas and as educational director of the First Baptist Church, Saint Joseph, Mo. He is expected to begin his new work January 1.

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GODSPEED TO MISSIONARIES

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Dr. and Mrs. Carroll Gillis and Miss Vada Waldron, three newly-appointed missionaries, were honored in a farewell service held at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary during the chapel hour, Tuesday morning, December 7. Dr. and Mrs. Gillis have been assigned to the Southern Baptist Seminary in Buenos Aires, Argentina, while Miss Waldron will do kindergarten work at Mendoza, Argentina.

Dr. Baker James Cauthen, Seminary professor of missions, presided at the farewell service. The Polytechnic Baptist Church, Fort Worth, of which Dr. Cauthen is pastor, will be responsible for Dr. Gillis' salary. Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Gillis, Dr. Gillis' parents, are faithful members of this great missionary-spirited church.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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yet a longer stay on earth would mean more labor and more fruitage from his toil. He was "in a strait betwixt the two" and God must decide for him.

7. Enjoy Comradeship with the Servants of Christ. Fellowship with Christians is next to fellowship with Christ.

(1) Life for Others. "To abide in the flesh is more needful for your sake"; or "for your sakes it is more important that I should still remain in the body" (Weymouth).

(2) Labor with Others. Convinced of the will of God that he should be set at liberty, Paul wrote his dear friends at Philippi: "I know that I shall live, and go on working side by side with you all for your progress and joy in the faith" (Montgomery).

(3) Light Through Others. Would not the Philippians rejoice in the presence of Paul once more among them? Would they not have "fresh cause of exultation in Christ Jesus" as the founder of their church ministered again in person to them? Thus their glorying in Christ would abound!

Gold in the Golden Text

For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. Philippians 1:21.

Consecration is personal: "To me." It calls for the entire individual. It utilizes every fiber of his being. It demands every strand of his strength. It absorbs every moment of his time.

Consecration sanctifies life: "To live is Christ." It is life from Christ. It is life in Christ. It is life for Christ. It is life with Christ.

Consecration survives death: "To die is gain." The larger life is entered and enjoyed. Hope has its fruition. Faithfulness in a few things is rewarded with responsibility for many things. The crown of endless life will be the crown of perfect righteousness. What infinite and eternal gain!

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Sunday School Lesson for Jan. 2

THE GOSPEL OF MARK:

A PREVIEW

Mark 10:35-45

We begin today a six months' course of study in Mark under the general title of "The Gospel of Service." (1) The writer was John Mark, a Levite. He was a nephew (or cousin) of Barnabas and Peter's son in the gospel. His was the fellow-helper of Paul and Barnabas on their first journey; of Barnabas on his second tour; of Paul again during his first Roman imprisonment; of Peter at Babylon and of Timothy at Ephesus just prior to the execution of Paul. It is said that he died at Alexandria and that his remains were removed centuries later to Venice. (2) The Gospel was written probably at the dictation of Peter and within the five years preceding the destruction of Jerusalem. It was primarily intended for Gentile readers and hence the claims of Jesus are presented on the basis of his work rather than of his teaching or of his fulfillment of prophecy. (3) The service that features the Gospel of Mark was set forth and stressed by Jesus when on his

last journey to Jerusalem he taught his disciples an impressive lesson of greatness through sacrificial service.

Lesson Text and Outline

Mark 10:35-45

I. Service Through Suffering

35 And there came near unto him James and John, the sons of Zebedee, saying unto him, Teacher, we would that thou shouldest do for us whatsoever we shall ask of thee. 36 And he said unto them, What would ye that I should do for you? 37 And they said unto him, Grant unto us that we may sit, one on thy right hand, and one on thy left hand, in thy glory. 38 But Jesus said unto them, Ye know now what ye ask. Are ye able to drink the cup that I drink? or to be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with? 39 And they said unto him, We are able. And Jesus said unto them, The cup that I drink ye shall drink; and with the baptism that I am baptized withal shall ye be baptized: 40 but to sit on my right hand or on my left hand is not mine to give; but it is for them for whom it hath been prepared.

II. Service Through Sacrifice

41 And when the ten heard it, they began to be moved with indignation concerning James and John. 42 And Jesus called them to him, and saith unto them, Ye know that they who are accounted to rule over the Gentiles lord it over them; and their great ones exercise authority over them. 43 But it is not so among you: but whosoever would become great among you, shall it not be so among you: but whosoever would be first among you, shall be servant of all. 44 For the Son of man also came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.

Notes Analytical and Expository

1. The Glory of Service Comes Through Suffering. (1) The request of James and John, intimate associates of Jesus, was courteously presented by their mother, Salome, who was probably a sister of Mary, the mother of Jesus. They still held a material view of the Kingdom and perhaps misinterpreted what Jesus had just said about the twelve on the thrones of the tribes. Hence their desire to sit next to him, right and left, in his coming glory. They sympathized with his mission and were willing to endure privation, but their ambition was unworthy. (2) The response of Jesus was neither an express denial nor a stern rebuke. To show them they did not know what they were asking, he inquired if they were able to drink with him his cup of sorrow and undergo his baptism of suffering. Was there a tinge of presumption in their affirmative answer? At any rate, looking forward to the death of James, first of the apostolic martyrs, and of John, after surviving fiery persecution, he told them that in the fulness of time they would drink of the same cup as their Lord. Let them know that precedence in the Kingdom is determined not by any arbitrary appointment of the part of the Messiah, but as a matter of reward to those for whom it is prepared on the basis of their fidelity and sacrifice. It takes

martyrdom to win the martyr's crown.

2. The Greatness of Service Comes Through Sacrifice. (1) The secondary service without sacrifice was in the mind of the Apostles. So Jesus had not only to rectify the ambitious two, but also to pacify the indignant ten. And he did it by contrasting greatness in civil and spiritual life. Among rulers in this world the great ones are esteemed great simply because they exercise authority over their subjects or subordinates. But in the Kingdom he who becomes and remains great must do so by being servant and helper of others. He who is foremost in the realm of the good must be first and foremost in sacrificial service.

(2) The supreme service through sacrifice was in the mind of Jesus. He was himself the eternal example and illustration of what he said. He is the greatest earth ever knew because by life and death he rendered the greatest service. He came to minister and to give his life. But for that he might have been a great prophet and teacher and citizen, and nothing more. With that, he was the world's Saviour and Sovereign.

The Lesson of the Lesson

Learn and Live the Gospel of Service

(1) Serve by Coming to Jesus. "There come near unto him." Come to him for light, for guidance, for fellowship, for inspiration. Come ready to serve him and others. If we fail here, we are sure to disobey him and delude others.

(2) Serve by Praying to Jesus. "We would that thou shouldest do for us whatsoever we shall ask of thee." They came with the wrong motive and request, but they came. Not all our prayers are good. But we ought to lay open our whole hearts before Jesus. He will do right.

(3) Serve by Listening to Jesus. "He saith unto them." Good listeners are as rare as good speakers. Sometimes it is easier to speak for God than to listen to him. But we must hear before we can heed and help.

(4) Serve by Learning from Jesus. "You know not." Ignorance is a curse. Yet a man may know much and miss the things he needs most. Learn of Jesus and know his will. Then do it!

(5) Serve by Suffering with Jesus. "To drink the cup." Bitter may be the potion, but radiant is the sequel. The glory-light shines on the farther shore. Indeed, it even shines on this "bank and shoal of time."

(6) Serve by Deserving from Jesus. "For whom it hath been prepared." We cannot buy salvation, but we can earn reward. Tickets to heaven are free through Christ, but treasures in heaven are laid up by fidelity to Christ. Be divinely thrifty!

(7) Serve by Forbearing for Jesus. "When the ten heard it, they began to be moved with indignation." Dis-

cord is terrible. Saints should be sweet in spirit. But we get angled up now and then in the shreds of our flesh. Then bear and forbear!

(8) Serve by Achieving with Jesus. "It is not so among you." The Gentle goal of power is false. The world standards of eminence are not trustworthy. It is character that counts. It is humility that uplifts. It is service that attains.

(9) Serve by Aspiring Through Jesus. "Whosoever would become great among you." Crush every vestige of ambition. But cherish true aspirations as a spark of heavenly fire. It kindles life so that it will send out light and heat.

(10) Serve by Following After Jesus. "The Son of man also came." He is the model. Nor can we do any better service to mankind than by copying him into our life today.

Gold in the Golden Text

And whosoever would be first among you, shall be servant of all.

—Mark 10:44.

Be first. That is right, when it is right. The goal must be worthy. The motive also counts. So does the method. And primacy here must be philanthropic.

Be fraternal. To be first one must put Christ first; then others, especially the household of faith; and finally himself. Indeed, self must be subordinated, denied, renounced. "He shall be last of all."

Be servant. To soar we must serve. To win we must lose. To be first we must be last. Learn the paradox of service!

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Perhaps for the first time in the history of the Baptist Memorial Hospital School of Nursing of Memphis there is a greater demand for young ladies who desire to enter training. This statement may be seen by someone who would really like to come to the work. Others may know of someone who could or should respond.

Young ladies applying for this training must be recommended to be of good health and character and must also be graduates of high school or other schools of like or higher grade. Write a letter to Miss Myrtle Archer, Baptist Memorial Hospital, Memphis, Tenn., who is director, School of Nursing, giving full particulars.

A. U. Boone,
Hospital Pastor

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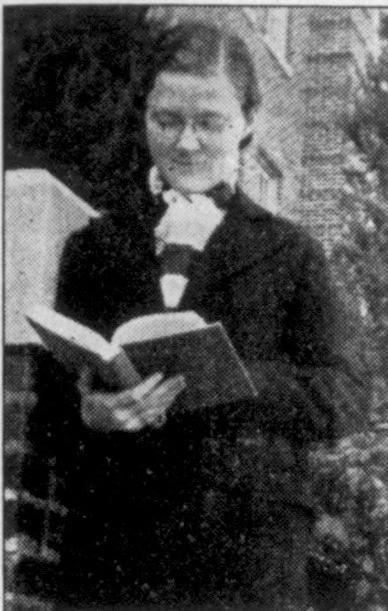
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CHINESE TELLS OF WAR

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MISS THERESA ANDERSON

Miss Mary Anderson, graduate of Blue Mountain College, niece of Mrs. Janie Sanford Graves, for forty years missionary to China, has received the following letter from Canton, China, dated October 15. The picture is that of Miss Theresa Anderson, Canton, China, whose father, Dr. P. H. Anderson, a missionary to China, has been on the faculty of the Baptist Bible Institute in New Orleans for the last two years. Miss Theresa Anderson is a student at Blue Mountain College and is well acquainted with Sam Koo and the Mo Kwong Home. "Dear Miss Anderson:

"Since, I have sent you a letter, but I have not received your answer.

"As it is war in Canton now, and Sam Koo asks me to write a letter to you, tell you all about here. I don't know how to write but I am going to try my best.

"From the 18th of August begin to have war in Canton—the 31st have a big fight. Then from the 1st of September to the 20th are not big fight, and not so often, but also come one time a day. From the 21st until now are very danger. They come every day, and have three or four times a day, almost a whole day, but in these days are daytime. September 21st to 28th are nighttime, it is very trouble, because we must sit a whole night in under floor.

"When the airplanes do not come yet, we first hear the danger sound spread out, and we all run down to the under floor (the place we have our food before) to escape the danger. At first we moved all the desks out from the class room, leave it empty, and the under floor, we move all the tables close to the wall because we think if we sit there, and when the house fall down, it will be a little lightly, then we can get safe by it. For that we have no place to have class now, and we have no place to have our food too, so we have our food everywhere we like.

"When they come, we all run down to the under floor, do not dare to come out, some time we sit there a whole day, so we have no time to cook too, we have been trying two days, of course we have many things at home, but we do not dare to cook —have only one meal a day, so Sam

Koo asked the servant to get up early in the morning, about four o'clock or five, and cook for two meals together, and we cannot have a certain time for breakfast or supper, sometimes breakfast at 6 o'clock, sometimes at twelve, supper sometimes at 2 o'clock, sometimes at 7 or 8. We have very little time for washing. Oh, it is hard to do anything, only eat and fear to pass a day.

"The first time they come, everybody are very frightened, half of them cry, everybody weep, and all of us pray to God. But now the girls do not fear as before, without they heard the sound of the gun. But Sam Koo and Sam Koo Ma are still frightened as before. They both be very sad and cannot eat cannot sleep. Sam Koo crys every day. She is very thin and we all pray for her now.

"Since Tungshan is a very dangerous place, so Sam Koo has been talking with Mr. Snuggs and sent some of the girls home until the war is over, then they come back. Let their mothers take care of them, because only one is easy. Then more if the girls parents are poor Sam Koo gives her the money for food, so now have 46 girls go back home, and have only 35 here, Sam Koo, Sam Koo Ma, me and two servants.

"I am the one who has nowhere to go, but I think God wants me to help the girls here, because Sam Koo and Sam Koo Ma are old, if something weary, I must help her. Just like now when they all went down to the under floor, I must walk all around to look at all the windows and doors, if they are not shut I must close them, then I go down floor.

"Mr. Law talked with Mr. Snuggs and open a new under house for us, because they are afraid if the house fell down we would be killed by the house,

"If these things not worry Mrs. Graves, please tell her, and Mrs. Law (Lowrey).

"We all pray for you every day, please pray for us. Hoping for a letter from you;

Sincerely,
Sam Koo
Sam Koo Ma
Ja Noo
Mo Kwong Home"

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"CHARITY"—WHICH MEANS LOVE

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Does the Baptist Hospital ever take charity patients? Pure Charity?

That question is asked now and then, especially in associational meetings...

Two friends of the hospital came this morning. Their story as told to the superintendent was tragic. It spoke of a man who fourteen months before had had his leg amputated in the State Charity Hospital. It had never healed; indeed had grown worse with passing months; but had not prevented him from being driven each day eleven miles to a shop where he had labored for daily

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bread for his wife and five children.

The time had come when still another amputation was absolutely necessary. The surgeon would do the work free of charge if the patient could be brought to the Baptist Hospital. There was no funds even for medicines.

This was the ninth case calling for total charity that morning. Room, bed, food, nurses, laundry and other necessities are given; but when it becomes necessary to go into the cash drawer for medicines, so often the superintendent reaches her rows end. She explained the situation to the gentlemen. The ten dollars necessary for medicines was provided. The patient was brought in and the amputation was at once performed.

This brought us in contact with his family. His gentle little wife looking worn and hungry told in a very simple way about how they had tried to live on two dollars a week; how they were so bare of clothing that the suffering was severe; of how she could secure work in the sewing room and leave the ten-year-old boy to look after the other children, when they were well. And dropped hints now and then that were full of pathos; but she did not complain.

A physician's wife heard her, and gave her two dollars. She smiled and in expressing her thanks said, "Now we will eat this week."

Some one sent out a call for clothing. A sympathetic friend standing near handed two dollars more. A bit of work was provided for the mother, which will pay a dollar a day. A nurse brought two sweaters and a skirt which she had outgrown. And best of all deep sympathy was extended from all over the hospital. The father lies here suffering of course, but every attention is given him that would be granted the wealthiest patient in the building. And he is grateful, as is his wife and children.

"Charity in the Baptist Hospital?"

Nine cases each in a way as needy as this one, in one day. But for the fact that the superintendent can make a dollar go further than most business people, we would eke out a struggling existence.

Margaret M. Lackey

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The grocer had just put a new boy to work, and among the other instructions was this:

"If you don't happen to have what a customer wants, suggest something else as nearly like it as possible."

Soon a woman came into the store and asked the boy, "Have you any fresh green stuff today?"

"No, ma'am," answered the boy, "but we have some nice bluing."

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Thursday, December 23, 1937

HELPING THE CHINESE

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China is in distress. Tons of bombs and shells are killing thousands of her people, not merely soldiers in battle, but thousands of helpless women and children. Refugees are filling Shanghai and other cities and they are dying for lack of food, clothing and medicines. Cholera is taking heavy toll. Surely every Christian heart must look with compassion upon the helpless millions who suffer all the horrors of war, famine and pestilence.

Our Chinese Baptists are suffering with their countrymen. Who of us would not wish to help at such a time as this? Our brethren in Christ are in dire need. Many have lost their jobs, their homes and household goods with no means of support. We know that a dollar will buy enough rice to keep one of our brethren alive for a month. Who of us can eat his Christmas or New Year's dinner in peace, if he refuses to feed our starving brethren in China? Seventy thousand Baptists in China are in danger. One hundred and fifty Southern Baptist missionaries are on the ground ready to distribute our gifts. How can we better prepare the hearts of Chinese to receive the Gospel than by keeping alive thousands of starving people?

The Foreign Mission Board can get the money to China within three hours after it reaches Richmond, and our missionaries will distribute our gifts to their starving neighbors, taking care first of our Baptist brethren but not limiting the aid to them.

The Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention meeting in Nashville December 15th, authorized and directed us to offer to the pastors and churches the services of the Foreign Mission Board in conveying to the starving Chinese our Christmas and New Year gifts. We are happy that Southern Baptists can give their aid through our own Foreign Board and our faithful missionaries. May the spirit of the Good Samaritan live again in our hearts. May we hear above the roar of the cannon and the crash of the bombs the beautiful words of our Master, "Inasmuch as ye did it to one of the least of these my brethren, ye did it unto me."

Send checks promptly to the Foreign Mission Board, Box 1595, Richmond, Virginia.

John R. Sampey, President
Southern Baptist Convention.

Charles E. Maddry, Ex. Secretary,
Foreign Mission Board, S. B. C.

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NOTICE TO SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS

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Beginning with 1938, Point IX of the standard of excellence will have this ADDITIONAL PART:

"... and fifty (50) per cent of all the officers and teachers, including the pastor or the superintendent, shall have the award for at least one of the other units in the diploma group."

In other words, half the officers and teachers must have credit for two diploma books (one of which must be Building a Standard Sunday School) instead of one.

LOVING TRIBUTE

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Mrs. M. K. Thornton and Children, Bessemer, Alabama.

Dear Mrs. Thornton and Children:

The Poplarville Baptist Church in conference assembled designated the undersigned to draft and forward to you our heart-felt sympathy in the recent loss of your husband and father and our highly esteemed brother and former pastor.

It is impossible to express to you the high regard we held for brother Thornton. Our church knew him as a man worthy of the highest esteem—as a Christian of the deepest convictions—as a pastor kind, considerate, solicitor of the welfare of every member—a character of the most affable type.

To know brother Thornton was to love him and we knew and loved him best because we knew him better.

We feel that in his passing we have lost a friend tried and true, worthy of emulation in Christian conduct and unsurpassed in ardor and zeal for the Master's work.

It is not ours to question, it is not ours to doubt. He who knoweth and doeth all things well has seen proper to call his servant to his well merited reward. We bow our heads in submission to His will.

Our hearts go out to you in your bereavement and at the same time we rejoice with you in the confirmed belief that he has heard the Master's welcome, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant."

Yours very truly,
Poplarville Baptist Church
C. C. Culpepper, Chm.
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A gentleman was walking down the street with his little boy at his side when the youngster cried out, "Oh, Pa! There goes an editor."

"Hush, hush," said the father. "Don't make sport of the poor man. The Lord only knows what you may come to yourself some day."

LORENA W. M. U.

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On December 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, the W. M. U. of the Lorena Baptist Church, Smith County, met and held a study course. The pastor met for one service and was an inspiration to them. Due to inclement weather the attendance was small; but the spirit manifested by the group was beautiful.

Miss Camille Shirley was the director of the study; and effectively taught the two books, "Why and How" and "Pioneering for Jesus." Several took the test and will be awarded cards and seals. Miss Shirley also gave an inspiring message in the closing service in behalf of the Baptist Record; and each member pledged to subscribe and to work to put it into every home of the church. Miss Shirley thoroughly enjoyed the fellowship of the church; and remarked she had never seen more earnest workers. The Lord be praised!

Rev. D. W. Moulder is pastor of this church; and is one who works untiringly for the cause of Christ.

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THE HOME GOING OF EARNEST CLARK

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On October 22 Earnest Clark passed out of the tabernacle, in which he had been tenting for nearly twenty years, into the great beyond—that home not made with hands—eternally in the heavens. For these few years, the Lord blessed the world with this fine character. For about ten years, Earnest was afflicted to the extent of absolute helplessness. Yet with his genuine devotion to God and all that which is good—his genial smiles—his kind words for everybody, and his unsurpassed patience, he blessed all them that knew him in a marvelous way.

Earnest was a most devoted member of the Mt. Creek Baptist Church,

Rankin County. He never missed services when it was at all possible for him to be present, though he had to be borne by his father or some friend.

Earnest was a member of every department of church work—an officer in the B. T. U. Out of his meager earnings, he contributed to all the denominational work. He was intensely interested in the prohibition fight, and made his contribution to this cause, by sending his money to men, who he heard speaking for the cause over the radio.

Those left to mourn the going of this fine young Christian man, are his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Clark of Mt. Creek community, Rankin County; one brother, Earl Clark of Jackson, Miss.; a number of relatives, and all people who knew him.

His body sleeps in the little cemetery at Mt. Creek Church—his memory lingers to bless us all, and his spirit is at rest with the heavenly Master.

His pastor,
W. S. Landrum

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